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PREFACE

Division of labor not division of hearts, say Vedas - the foundation of Hinduism. There are four major aspects of human body, viz. intellect (Brahmin), strength (Kshatriya), management (Vaishya) and support (Shudra) that make it complete. The head represents the intellect, hands represent strength, stomach represents management, and legs represent support.

A human is a human when all these aspects work in tandem. None of the head, hands, stomach or legs could alone constitute a complete body.

Brahman is not a caste. Brahman is a trait that every human possesses in varying quantity. Similarly, Shudra is not a caste. Shudra is a trait that every human exhibits. We are all Brahmins. We are all Shudras. We are all humans. That is why even after the massive propaganda by fanatics to prove Hinduism a rogue idea based on caste-based hatred, you can see the son of a Daasi/Shudra- Vidura become Prime Minister of Hastinapur- the mightiest kingdom in Mahabharat. That is why you see Valmiki, a so-called 'low caste' as Maharishi, who is worshiped by entire Hindu community as greatest saint ever. Mata Sita

considered him as father and spent her last days in his Aashram. Maharishi Jabal, son of a prostitute, became Rishi of Atharva Veda. This list is endless.

This book will remove the misconceptions and establish the principles of social equality that form the foundations of Hinduism.

“Dalits of Hinduism” is the second book of the “Discover Hinduism” series that aims to dispel all myths and establish true Hinduism. The first book “A Hindu’s fight for mother cow” debunked myths related to beef eating. This book addresses the second allegation on Hinduism – of discriminating on the basis of birth. The reader will be pleasantly surprised to discover that all these allegations are bogus. On the contrary, Hinduism is the greatest philosophy of equality, merit, and justice – far evolved than the modern system that has not been able to wipe away the dogmas of medieval prejudices of Christian and Islamic eras.

Christian systems assume that all who reject Jesus as the *Son of God* and Bible as the gospel of God will go to Hell. Islamic systems believe that all who refuse to accept Muhammad as last prophet and Qu-

ran as final book of Allah will burn in Hell forever. Both systems openly support slavery as an essential component of religion. The religious books, considered as the voice of God, even give details on how to manage and distribute slaves and concubines, if the popular translations of those books are to be considered true.

Hinduism is different. Apart from Vedas, no other book is considered as the voice of God. And Vedas denounce any form of inequality – birth based, gender based, belief based, region based – as harshly as even modern justice system will not dare to denounce for political reasons. “*Ved*” means intellect. Vedas openly declare that any form of blind belief devoid of intellect and reasoning is a recipe of sorrow. Questioning of the authenticity of even Vedas are not just accepted but encouraged. That is why you see so many diverse sects and schools within Hindu fold. All that is needed is genuineness of intentions.

Atharvaveda explicitly states that there will always be a variety of languages, cultures, traditions, belief systems in the world. Noble humans must consider entire humanity as one family irrespective of these differences.

The sources of allegations on Hinduism can be divided into three broad categories.

- Allegations based on historical texts and events
- Allegations based on religious texts like Ramayan, Mahabharat, Puranas, Smritis, Sutras, etc.
- Allegations based on Vedas

A convenient but baseless assumption is made that anything that happened in past or anything that is written in Sanskrit is part of Hinduism.

Nothing can be farther from truth. Just as every Arabic belly dance number of Lebanon is not the message of Islam, every *Sons and Lovers* and *Lolita* in English is not Bible. Similarly, every Sanskrit word is not Hinduism.

In the same vein, just as Babur building Babri Mosque in the name of his gay partner Babri is not necessarily Islamic, Pope John XII's adultery and incest scandals are not necessarily Christian; deeds of any individual cannot be considered as a trait of Hinduism. Even if the entire world is addicted to anger and hatred, that does not make anger and hatred Hin-

du. Hinduism is based on eternal concepts. Hence, anger and hatred will always be anti-Hindu.

Allegations based on selective episodes of history and quotes from obscure Sanskrit texts are not relevant to Hinduism. All that can be concluded from any such allegation is that what happened or what was written in any text or what was practiced in society in that era was anti-Hindu.

The second category of allegations based on scriptures like Mahabharat, Ramayan, Smritis and other later era texts also do not hold any water. The majority of the allegations in this category are mere misinterpretations of select Sanskrit words out of context. A few allegations relate to some objectionable verse or story. But, even these are not valid because these texts themselves declare that they are human creations, prone to errors and manipulations, and not the final authority. They attribute final authority in matters of Dharma to Vedas. And Vedas attribute final authority to intellect, reason and compassion in matters of interpreting Vedas.

It is a known fact that apart from Vedas, none of the texts of Hinduism have been diligently preserved.

These other texts have been subject to adulterations and multiple versions are available even today. They serve the purpose of explaining the bigger picture of right and wrong through allegories, stories, analogies and other literary devices. They may contain spurious verses as well. After all, these were not written in an era when copyright laws, encryption, read-only devices and DRM were commonplace. Anyone could pick up few leaves of banana, make a pen out of peacock feather, and scribble anything. For the oldest civilization of the world, it is implausible that innumerable versions of each text would not have been spawned in thousands of years.

That is why Hinduism is above any text, any story, and any history. The way to benefit from any scripture is to embrace what is reasonable and appealing to conscience and reject whatever appears trash. Be open-minded on topics where one cannot decide right or wrong. And simply follow the conscience on a benchmark of fundamental principles of non-violence, truth, patience, self-control, compassion, wisdom and selflessness.

Yes, there are spurious verses in Ramayan, Mahabharat, Smritis, Sutras and Puranas. Some of the

Smritis, Sutras and Puranas are almost completely fake and created by unwise or naughty minds. For example, Bhavishya Purana has praises of Queen Victoria and Akbar. It seems the British paid some Sanskrit literate to coin verses explaining Sunday, Monday and call Victoria (*Vikatarati*) as the greatest ruler ever.

For ages, scholars of Bharat (India) have been aware of these attempts of few misled to create spurious texts and confuse people. They put up an ultimate benchmark – Vedas are ultimate evidence. Everything else is acceptable only if they are as per Vedas. You see this benchmark “Shruti Pramaana” – Vedas alone are proofs, being repeated in texts of every era.

And Vedas have been preserved with such precision that every syllable of Vedas can be authenticated.

Mahabharat has been adulterated so much that as per some estimates, the current Mahabharat is ten times the original. Some smart scholar inserted a few verses in Mahabharat that state: “Rogues have been adulterating Mahabharat. One should, however, know that original Mahabharat is completely against meat, alcohol, and adultery.”

The character of *Radha* associated with Krishna to allege debauchery on the hero again is based on a spurious text called *Brahma Vaivart Purana*. No other text has even the mention of name *Radha*. The word *Radha* means “success oriented approach.” At some point in history, someone may have personified the success of Krishna and gave it the name of *Radha*. But this led to further creativity, and more stories were added. Romance Masala was created, mixed with religious feelings and an entire fictional world surrounding Radha-Krishna affair got created. Writers can reach even those places where sunlight cannot reach! And today, despite all evidence of history pointing to one conclusion – that Krishna was the most self-controlled, dynamic, intelligent person one can think of – he has been defiled as a playboy.

Ramayan is another grossly adulterated text. The entire Uttar Ramayan that has stories of Sita exile and Shambook-murder is completely fabricated. Anyone with basic understanding of Sanskrit can figure this out from the language, tone, and style of Uttar Ramayan that it is written by someone thousands of years after original Ramayan.

Even the original Ramayan has several adultera-

tions like Fire-test (Agni Pariksha) of Sita that is obvious if one reads the Sanskrit text in sequence. And consider, this adulteration has become the foundation of many an anti-Hindu women movements!

Many Sahitya Akademi and Film awards will have to be recalled back, so many anti-Hindu organizations and movements will lose their meaning if truth is embraced, so many works of art will become works of falsehood – that all these criticism of Hinduism is based on fiction. Their survival depends on promoting these fictions as truth. (In a way, it is a welcome sign that many award-winners whose life has been a story of hatred against Hinduism without reason are returning their awards.)

Thirteen hundred plus years of foreign invasion has only added to these confusions. And then even well-intentioned Hinduism lovers start defending whatever is criticized by anti-Hindu ideology. Both sides only help further the falsehood. One side says Ram is a villain because he killed a Shudra (lower-caste person) for reciting Vedas. The other side defends Ram as a hero by giving some ridiculous explanation of the murder – miracle, different laws in *Treta Yuga*, some curse of mummies, some science in killing,

some heaven that the Shudra got because of murder.

The final outcome is that both sides make Ram the benchmark of Hinduism and agree that he killed a Shudra. Hence, Ram is made a monster. None of the sides, in their passion and prejudice, explores the possibility of the entire episode being fake in the first place.

This madness has tarnished Hinduism for ages and has reached a critical stage today. Unless we revive the true foundations and destroy the misconceptions, we risk losing the entire wisdom of thousands of years that Hinduism has carefully preserved in its womb. In the era of meaningless materialism and fanatic religious terrorism, this becomes even more critical.

The final allegation on Hinduism comes in the form of translations of Vedic verses that speak of caste-based hatred, gender equality, vulgarity, alcoholism, beef, and what not. It is so common on online platforms to quote some verse of Vedas, give reference of sacred-texts.com, offer a ridiculous translation and conclude that Vedas aka Hinduism is trash.

This approach has become even more popular in recent times after Agniveer efforts cornered Hindu-

ism-bashers to stop offering references from any other text except Vedas.

The problem with this approach is that the translations are completely baseless. The authors of these translations are either some Max Muller, some Griffith, or some Monier Williams. If you review their other works, you would find clear reasons for absurdities in their translations – they were paid British employees in an era of British rule with a clear motive to portray Hinduism in a bad light. Monier has written explicitly that his agenda is to promote Jesus in India. Many of them based their translations on works of medieval era scholars like Sayana, who worked in the era of Islamic invasion.

Agniveer has meticulously studied every verse of Vedas, looked into each and every allegation, and has found all of them preposterous. We threw an open challenge few years ago to showcase even a single mantra from 20000 plus in four Vedas that has anything objectionable. We remain unchallenged so far.

We hope this series will bring forth to the world the original philosophy of humanity that we have forgotten. It is the need of the hour in this era of in-

tolerant madness and blind materialism. We hope you will get a new direction from the source of humanity – Hinduism.

Please note that all proceeds from the sale of this book will go towards promoting true Hinduism. Help us serve humanity by sharing, distributing, gifting this book. Also, share your reviews and testimonials on public platforms.

Dharma (righteousness) must be protected and nurtured by you. Then it will protect and nurture you.

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PART 1: REALITY OF CASTE SYSTEM

REALITY OF CASTE SYSTEM

This chapter specifically focuses on those mind-sets that support birth-based caste discrimination. Our language and criticism should be understood only in light of this heinous practice and for their advocates and not any person, community or caste in general. We consider casteism as the worst form of terrorism and their perpetrators as the *Dasyus*. But rest of us – regardless of they being upper or lower caste as per fake manmade divisions – are one-family-one-race-one-caste for us. We request readers not to consider this chapter to be addressed to anyone with this Vedic mindset of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*.

Some facts about caste system that we all should know and think about:

Who is Brahmin?

The most ridiculous thing about birth-based caste system is that it is based on *unverifiable* words of mouth. There is no way to decipher if Brahmins of today are actually children of Brahmins of yesteryears. Regardless of whatsoever *Gotra* or Rishi name one may utter, there is no way to test the veracity of the claim.

So what if I say that Brahmins (birth-based) of today are actually worse than Shudras because they were born of *Chandals* around 1000 years ago? How can one refute the claim? *If you cite that this Brahmin family is of Bharadwaj gotra, I would ask for DNA testing to verify the claim.* In the absence of it, any claim to superior caste remains merely a tall empty claim. That is why original Manu Smriti (not the fake one popular today) clearly stated that one must not earn benefits by boasting about his or her lineage.

Who is Kshatriya?

Parshuram is alleged to have wiped off all Kshatriyas several times. Therefore, it is obvious that Kshatriyas of today are anything but Kshatriyas by birth!

If one tracks the genealogy of Rajputs, they are supposed to belong to one of the following lineages

– Suryavanshi from Sun, Chandravanshi from Moon and *Agnikula* from the fire. Obviously, no one actually came from sun or moon on earth! Also, Agnikula is a recent origin. Legend says that Agnikula Rajputs sprang from fire when Parashuram wiped off entire Kshatriya or Rajput clan from earth. On many Rajput clans, there is still confusion on whether it is Suryavanshi, Chandravanshi or Agnikula.

Obviously, these recent legends – not to be found in any ancient texts – mean that various people who took up the profession of valor/ military became recognized as Rajputs from time to time.

Upper-castes may be Chandals

If some so-called upper castes can claim some other humans to be lower-caste, even I can assert that these lower castes are the real Brahmins, Kshatriyas, and Vaishyas. And the upper-castes are actually children of Chandals who usurped power centuries ago and deleted historical records. The recorded history mixed with miraculous stories of the origin of certain castes and tribes would only support this assertion.

Now, if that sounds insulting, even calling any human being as lower-caste is equally offensive, if not

more.

Who are Mlechhas among us?

From evident records of the history, one knows that Greeks, Huns, Sakas, Mongols, etc. have been assimilating in Indian society in positions of power. Many of them even had rules over certain parts of India for significant periods and today **it is impossible to decipher who among us is a Greek, Hun or Mongol.** This goes well with the Vedic concept of ‘one humanity one race’ but blows the very foundations of the birth-based caste system. Because for them, these *Mlechhas* are even worse than the four castes!

In search of technique for caste determination

Forget about caste-system being supported or denied by Vedas. Even that is secondary. We have already seen that Vedas in fact against the very notion of birth-based on gender-based discrimination.

What is more important is that there is no way for any of us to determine who among us are actually a high caste and a low caste by genealogy since the inception of Vedas. Apart from hollow self-proclaimed assertions, there is nothing more concrete to take anyone’s caste seriously!

If Vedas were to justify birth-based caste system, they should also have specified a reliable technique to decide someone's caste. In the absence of that technique, the whole concept of birth-based caste system falls flat.

All one can say is that caste system *may* have been relevant during the inception of Vedas but has no meaning whatsoever today!

Our stand by the way (based purely on Vedas and logic), is that caste system was never relevant and in fact a distortion of Vedic ideology. *And this has been the most expensive distortion for our society that snatched away our entire dignity, strength, and future!*

What is in a name?

Please also note that the whole concept of using Name and Surname is hardly a few centuries old. You will not find mention of any 'Ram Suryavanshi' or 'Krishna Yadav' in ancient literature. Even today, a vast majority adopted a surname based on profession or village or city. South Indians typically use a combination of parental name, village name, etc. There are hardly any surnames today, which are carried on since the inception of Vedas.

The very fact that ancient society discouraged use of surnames implies that people were supposed to be respected for their talents and merits, and not for their birth-stamp. Neither people had to carry caste certificates nor was travel to far-off places discouraged as it happened in dark ages of Hinduism. There was no way for anyone to verify anyone's caste. The talent of a person was his only caste! Of course, distortions did come up over a period of time out of selfish motives. We see that now Bollywood and Politics have also become birth-based. No wonder, similar factors prevailed to strengthen the irrational caste system. **Nonetheless, the foundations and verification of castes have always remained utterly unreliable.**

Even if someone asserts that 'Sharma' is an old surname for Brahmins, the evidence of people using the surname compulsorily in Ramayana or Mahabharata era is disputable. We can merely say that we assume someone to be a "Sharma Brahmin" because he or she uses such a surname. Alternatively, maybe his father and grandfather also used this surname. What if I adopt Sharma surname, and my son follows the suit. How would you tell whether I am actually a *Chandal* or Brahmin? You will have to only rely on my

claim. **Moreover, would I not be a fool to admit that actually I am from a generation of Chandals when being a Brahmin gives me so many exclusive rights and privileges?**

The attacks of medieval ages

The thousand years of invasion by fanatic tribes of West and Central Asia witnessed virtually entire cities being raped. Women have been the prime targets throughout this darkest era of Indian history. When looters like *Qasim*, *Ghori*, *Ghazni*, *Timur* would invade, they would make sure that not even one home is spared whose females were not raped by their soldiers. Delhi itself had been ruined several times. The entire north and western India passage from Central Asia has been subject to this tyranny for centuries. May such tragedy may never befall on any society. But our forefathers have witnessed it. Now, what would be children of such victims be called except outcast as per the so-called caste system? But that has thankfully not been the case.

Our seers knew that women are a vulnerable target in adverse situations. They stipulated in Manu Smriti that a woman, how so much fallen, could become noble if the husband is noble. But the husband should

ensure that he never falls down.

It was this dictum that motivated men to protect the dignity of their womenfolk and God forbid if something adverse happen, they would still accept the women and start life afresh. Widow would re-marry, and rape victims would rehabilitate. Had this not been the case, after a few attacks by invaders, we would already have become a society dominated by outcast!

Of course, in the later period, fake glamorization of woman's dignity started happening that left only death, torture or prostitution as options available for a widow or rape victim. This foolishness only made us even more impotent.

Some birth-based upper-castes may justify that this indeed had been the case that a rape victim became an outcast. If that be so, we would only say that this is a limit of perversion.

The reality is that caste system, by design, and practicality, was never a Hindu concept. It emerged out of class or profession based community living and aggravated under 1400 years of Jihadi attack that forced several communities to do menial jobs, and

restricted free and safe travel due to constant fear of murder and rapes.

Caste System has nothing Hindu about it. It is a social order that emerged due to challenges our ancestors faced.

Yes, pride of ancestors is a noble concept. One must be proud of the ancestors and their contributions that make us what we are today. This pride is Pitra Rin. But the way ahead for this pride must be to draw bigger lines of great work, and not ridiculing anyone on his ancestry.

SEVEN LESSONS ON CASTE SYSTEM

In this chapter, we will review the simple lessons on Caste System.

Lesson 1: Caste system is a bogus concept

The caste system is a bogus concept having no Vedic basis whatsoever. Not one single mantra has any justification for birth-based casteism.

Lesson 2: All humans have all four castes!

Every human has all four qualities – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra – within him and for the sake of simplicity, we can tag him with his predominant profession. However, this remains a gross approximation, which loses its relevance even more in the current era and social system. *Yajurveda* 32.16 spe-

cifically prays that MY Brahmin and MY Kshatriya qualities be worthwhile!

Lesson 3: There is no way to decide

There is no way to decide if so-called upper castes are actually upper and lower caste actually lower throughout last several thousand generations and more.

All this upper-caste and lower-caste fantasy stories are based on self-assessment and evidence of hardly a few generations. We also see that the present caste system provides an incentive for crooks to somehow attain false certificates of upper caste and fool rest of the population. Also, there is no incentive for any fake upper caste to actually admit that he or she belongs to a family of *Chandals* because that would deprive them of their special rights and status. In all probability, caste system would imply rule of the crooks and torture of the honest. It is more likely that the honest ones now known as lower castes are the real upper castes being duped by real low-castes! After all caste system basically means an incentive to cheat!

Traits may be inherited due to environment BUT....

We can just say that certain traits run predominantly in certain families due to the environment that

a newborn receives. Many professions run through generations. There is nothing wrong in it. But that does not mean that son of a doctor becomes a doctor merely by taking birth. He has to grow up, give exam and qualify for MBBS to use the Dr. salutation. Same is true for every profession or Varna.

Further, this does not also mean that I cannot be a doctor simply because my father was a laborer. Thankfully, this is not the case. Or else the world would have been worse than Hell. After all, almost all legends who shaped the world through knowledge, inventions, discoveries and leadership were mutants who went completely against family traditions.

Lesson 4: Caste system ruined us

Ever since India started taking caste system seriously, we degraded from the lighthouse of the world to one of the largest debtors and beggars of the world. And the western world could progress so much despite so many lacunae because they allowed equal rights to dignity to all humans regardless of birth. At the height of caste-system, we saw ourselves being raped and butchered for centuries and finally partitioned in our own ancient homeland.

It is only in recent years after caste system has dwindled significantly, that we witness some respite. Whatever nuisance remains is because of caste-system refusing to go due to its politicization. And politicization thrives because we refuse to trash proactively all those rituals, texts, customs based on birth-based caste system.

Lesson 5: Negative contribution of casteist mind

If I ask you to provide any significant contribution of any casteist mind in last 1000 years, you would have to blame the utter lack of it all on crazy conspiracy theories. However, the fact is that apart from hollow superstitious philosophies and rituals, nothing useful was ever contributed by all the pundits of Varanasi and all holy shrines put together who had access to tremendous wealth and resources to do anything worthwhile. (Refer the wealth being discovered from Padmanabhan temple for example. I wonder if they would have utilized this wealth to unite people for fighting away the invaders and establishing meritocracy).

The so-called *Mlecchas* like Einstein, Newton, Faraday and hundreds of other path-breakers of West were more fertile minds than the 'divinely' inspired

birth, knowledge and special gifts of Shri Hari on these birth-based pundits. The only difference was that in last 300 years, West rejected the junk of Biblical superstitions, increasingly accorded equal rights to all sections of societies. **We can conclude that a non-casteist mind of a Mleccha (considered worse than even Shudras) is thousand times more brilliant than the most ‘divine’ casteist mind.**

Those who claim that their upper-castes have ‘better’ talents should provide evidence on what great research their ‘better’ talents have produced in last 300 years to take their claims seriously?

Giving names of a few scientists like Raman or Chandrashekhar would be foolish. Because they achieved whatever they could achieve only when they adopted studies of the *Mlecchas*. Their knowledge came from *Mlecchas*, and Mlecchas alone acknowledged their outputs.

Instead, one should showcase examples from centers of casteist learnings – Kashi etc. – on what great breakthrough research they could bring from the classified knowledge they had owing to their superior birth? Apart from degrading a great scientific tradi-

tion to stories of cheap gimmicks and *Dakshina*, the contribution has been meager from these great 'universities.'

And a non-casteist *Mleccha* warrior is more effective than a far more powerful and brave casteist Kshatriya. That is why despite being touted as having the bravest Rajputs, even the slaves of slaves enslaved us for centuries! (Refer the Slave dynasty!) We were marrying our daughters to psychopaths like Akbar despite the heroic valor! We had our Kashi Vishwanath taking recluse in a well despite the power of Vedic scholars and brave divinely gifted warriors! And *Ghazni* raping women in premises of *Somnath* Temple, thanks to our birth-based caste system that allowed only specific families to be trained in warfare and then remain Hindu only if they do not get touched by *Mlecchas*!

In addition, far less talented Englishmen could rule not only us but half of the globe simply because they rejected artificial discrimination within their own society!

But yes, India has been excellent producers of slaves and Shudras for ages. Barring few rebels, as a society, despite our tall claims of being Brahmin or

Kshatriya or Vaishya, we have been licking the boots of our rulers; whosoever came to rule us. We feel pride in serving our Aakaas. Mughal armies were predominantly consisting of Rajput warriors and generals. When *Haldi Ghati* battle happened, they were Rajputs trying to defeat the brave Pratap! Most of the battles Shivaji fought were against so-called Rajputs and Marathas who were bootlicking the Sultanates!

Those who claim to be upper-castes and defend birth-based caste system in practice have not been better than Shudras or Slaves as per their deeds! No doubt, they had thus all the reasons to defend their fake upper-castes!

Lesson 6: Casteists caused decline of Hinduism

It was our blunder that we closed doors of entry of forced converts back to Hinduism and thus caused the slavery and eventual partition of India. Even today, Hinduism is the only religion that has no mechanism to accept people into it except by birth. Of course, if you pay some bucks at Varanasi these days, they do convert and marry you as per Hindu rituals so that you can take photographs. Even this started after the Arya Samaj Shuddi movement, which was met with stiff opposition by some fake Brahmins in

last century and quarter. In our definition, such people were worse than Shudras.

Many so-called fake Brahmins (fake because they cannot produce DNA records of their Brahminism) would claim that non-Hindus are allowed to be taken back to Hinduism but only as Shudras and not Brahmins or Kshatriyas! What a stupidity based on selfish power politics! A Stephen Knapp, who has contributed more to the cause of Hinduism than all the pundits of Kashi put together, is still disallowed from entering Jagannath Temple because he was not a born Brahmin! He will have to do penance in this birth and take next birth as Brahmin to get this right!

Do we need any external enemies to destroy our destiny?

We have been practicing this stupidity for ages and still do not understand. I can go to a mosque and express my desire to be a Muslim. They will then make all arrangements and make me one quickly. Church will even pay me bucks to become a Christian. But if someone goes to a temple to embrace the culture of their forefathers, first the pujari will look at him as if he has heard a queer joke. Then he would call some pundit. Depending on the location of the temple, even

his entry may be barred. For example, only Brahmins can enter into interiors of Kashi Vishwanath temple! Then he would be provided a list of penances so that he can become a Shudra. The penances, suggested by likes of revered Sadhu Maharaj have included eating cow dung for several days! Other sects like ISKCON may make things easier because they are among few sects who felt the importance of bringing our lost brothers back.

But then they would be called frauds by other sects. Still, they cannot enter a Kanchipuram or Vishwanath or Jagannath or Dwarka temple. They cannot marry a so-called high-caste Hindu. They cannot read and teach Vedas. Everyone would try to play safe and recommend that they only study *Geeta* and *Bhagvat Puran* etc.

Except *Arya Samaj*, no one would dare to make a Pandit teaching Vedas from a Maulana. And they are considered deviant since last 125 years. And now even *Arya Samaj* has become a kitty party ignoring its prime duty of destroying the caste system! They are busy conducting the marriage of eloped couples and earning *Dakshina*!

Would some Christian or Muslim be a fool to accept Hinduism at such cost to his or her dignity?

I am not blaming any individual but the **mindset**. The foolish caste system and the mindset that supports it is the greatest cause of all the problems of today. If we became slaves, it was because of this. If we were raped and butchered, it was because of this. If we are facing terrorism, it is because of this. And still, we refuse to jettison it proactively. We know it has no basis, no foundation, and no way to verify it, but still, we continue to feed the snake that has been killing our kins for centuries.

Lesson 7: Casteists caused the Partition of India

Many Indians know the partition and so-called hard-line Muslim problem. But few know that Jinnah's grandfather was a Hindu, who was forced to convert due to stupid reasons. Iqbal was from a family of Brahmins not even two generations ago! Our stupid caste system would make someone a *Mleccha* even if we ate with a '*Mleccha*' and there was never a way back to home.

Later, when legends like Swami Dayanand and Shradhanand started Shuddhi movement and were

supported by visionaries like Savarkar, the opportunistic agents of Dharma relented but allowed extremely impractical access to Hinduism as lower castes.

The entire Muslim or Christian population of sub-continent today is the only result of our own crime of caste-system that would make one outcast at flimsiest of reason. Instead of condemning other religions and their faith, we should ask ourselves: “What do we have to offer them to bring them back with dignity?” “What right we have to condemn them when we defend our own irrational fake scriptures that justify caste system and gender discrimination?”

Conclusion

Casteists should look at their own crimes first. Let us be honest with ourselves. Agniveer critically analyzes the history of Islam or Quran or Bible, it does so as a scientist and not with hatred. It focuses on concepts and not people. In the same vein, it also has the guts to say that it throws into the dustbin and puts fire to all those rubbish texts, which support in any manner disgraceful blots like casteism and gender discrimination. Agniveer does not care about how emotional we may be to such a text, ritual, or way of worship. It

would still stand for getting rid of lices that suck our blood.

Till we can come up with this honesty, any debate on comparative religions would be a shameless veil on our own heinous crimes.

To Hell with Casteism.

And for so-called lower castes, there was never a mechanism to become upper-caste again. We said 'To Hell with merit, ' and Destiny said 'To Hell with Hindus'!

Agniveer appeals to all to say 'To Hell with those who say "To Hell with merit."'

HOW TO DESTROY CASTE SYSTEM

The goal of writing this book is not to paint a gloomy, hopeless picture and to make all feel guilty. Instead, the goal is to be objective and realistic about our history, and present and pave a smart way for future.

This is what needs to be done to save India and Hindus Let each of us strive for this at whatever level we can and soon the efforts would multiply into a transformation within a few years. **Let us reject caste system totally in thoughts, words and actions.**

Don't repeat the history

Stop associating yourselves with our forefathers to defend their mistakes. This is also a form of caste

system. Take collective responsibility for whatever happened. So-called birth based Brahmins and Kshatriyas are not the only ones to be blamed. So-called Dalits and Shudras are more to be blamed. Why did they allow these fake Brahmins and Kshatriyas to usurp power and create a nuisance for centuries?

Now let bygones be bygones. Stop calling yourself as belonging to any caste except humanity. Stop blaming any Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya or Shudra for whatever happened in past or happens now. **Our fight is against a mindset and not persons.** Our success will depend on how strongly we refuse to even accept any person by his caste in the first place.

We must realize that it were few people who believed in caste system and made it flourish. To blame all birth-based Brahmins for deeds of few would be foolish. We must accept the truth that Swami Dayanand Saraswati who debunked caste system on basis of Vedas was also a Brahmin. The person who gave Ambedkar his name was also a Brahmin. Veer Savarkar who had an undiluted stand favoring total destruction of caste system was a Brahmin.

Instead of making an upper-caste vs lower-caste issue, we must realize it is an issue that impacts all

sections of society and hence must be collectively destroyed.

Don't defend caste in the name of culture and tradition

Stop the habit of defending every other thing in the name of culture and tradition.

Totally reject every scripture, every ritual, and every institution that thrives on the birth-based caste system. Let us say a full stop to it, be it a great temple or festival or a book we have been taught to love since early childhood for generations.

Agniveer did not find Vedas – the first texts – to contain any support for such ridiculous unverifiable conjectures. On contrary Vedas extol for pure meritocracy. Also, Vedas are free from adulterations to best of our knowledge. Hence, we consider Vedas as our foundation. All other texts are acceptable only to the extent they comply with Vedas. And if they advocate casteism, racism or gender bias, they are anything but scriptures. Let's reject them outright, as well as those people, institutions and rituals that defend these.

This does not mean we reject our forefathers out

rightly. Accept their good points; do keep track of deeds of your forefathers if you want to, but only as an inspiration and source of motivation. Refuse to enjoy delusion of your supremacy based on deeds of your forefathers. **No one gives you the 1st Rank in University because your grandfather was a top-per!**

Don't acknowledge any temple that refuses Dalit entry

Refuse to acknowledge any temple that refuses to accept a talented 'so-called' Dalit as a priest. Either grab its control and install meritocracy or let such temples of hatred be boycotted. That may be the greatest pilgrim center, but publicity does not make a villain into a hero.

Accept non-Hindus as Hindus

Coordinate with local temples controlled by logical minds to openly accept non-Hindus as Hindus with dignity. They may do a short ritual like a recitation of Gayatri Mantra and make one a Hindu. No need for any mention of any caste except that he is a human. Only adherence to certain basic lifestyle norms like food, charity, education, non-violence, worship

of Supreme, equality of all human beings, etc. may suffice.

Organize Shuddhis

Events should be organized where these *Shuddhis* are done at larger scale. And those taking part should be made into Brahmins, who then are eligible to conduct religious rituals and be priests of temples.

In fact, special temples should be opened with Dalit and erstwhile non-Hindu priests. It has started in many areas but needs to be done more aggressively.

In so-called Dalit areas, rituals should be conducted that convert them into Brahmins, who then conduct rituals of Brahminization of other Dalits. What more, these people should be provided Surnames like Sharma, Tiwari, Tripathi, Chaturvedi, Dwivedi, Trivedi, etc. that they can legally use. **This should happen in such wide scale that within few years, it becomes impossible to distinguish between a Brahmin of few years and a Brahmin of few generations.** (There is no way to find Brahmins of more than a few generations in absence of credible DNA verification). Swami Dayanand used to distribute sacred thread widely to promote Vedic Dharma. We

should also use this symbol to promote our mission.

What would be the challenge?

One challenge that would come is from reservation-based politics, which would coax so-called Dalits to continue being called Dalits and earn privileges at the cost of dignity. But if wider community support programs and avenues of entrepreneurship be explored, this factor would gradually die a natural death. In any case, within a couple of decades, the craze of secured government jobs is poised to die down among the enlightened class of society due to much more attractive entrepreneurial and global opportunities, thanks to the technological revolution.

Now due to politicization, people have started feeling proud to be called Dalits or *Anarya*! This is a very foolish reaction to events of history that defeats the very purpose. Dalit means one who is trampled. It's an abuse and society should refuse to use this word for any caste. One who is economically or socially neglected is a Dalit regardless of his or her caste. Any villain is an Anarya. A daughter of a fisherman is a noble Brahmin if she is a scholar. She is a Chaturvedi if she has mastered four Vedas. Instead of nurturing clustering of people around terms like Dalit, Arya,

Picchdi Jaati, Backward Caste, Scheduled Caste, we should refuse even to recognize such foolish divisions when entire humanity is one caste one race. *Factional parties thriving on Bahujan, Dalit, Dravida appeasements are as great enemies of humanity as the fake Brahmins and Kshatriyas of yesteryears – both are nurturing the foolish caste system for their selfish reasons or sheer irrationality.*

But now is the golden time to understand the fake-ness of the hollow caste system and destroy its very foundations. Of course, challenges are there, but even the opportunity is historic.

Agniveer's resolve

Agniveer is determined to make this its number one priority. We appeal to all to join us in this mission as we initiate a movement through the ground level implementation of above plans.

We know that this chapter may arouse some angry reactions from those who support the denial of Vedas based on birth or feel men are superior to women and other bogus concepts. But we do not care because we are with truth and know that caste system is against Vedas, against humanity, against logic, and against the nation.

Those who desire to debate us on this are most welcome! But before that, you must showcase your DNA reports so that we can reliably conclude that you are indeed from a genealogy of Brahmins since the inception of Vedas and not children of a cunning Chandal, who took a Brahmin guise some generations ago. After all, by your own admission, only authentic Brahmins have the right to debate on Vedas!

May the rule of merit prevail!

BRAHMIN, SHUDRA....I DON'T CARE

If I were to pinpoint the most foolish innovation of evolved human mind, it would be a caste system.

Don't take me wrong. I do not imply caste system is the worst evil. I consider slavery, racism, kafir to be notions that are even more despicable. To enslave someone as property because he or she is of a darker color is a sign of savagery. It doesn't qualify to be even termed 'human.'

Similarly, to believe that people who refuse to believe in my book, my concepts, or my prophet are kafirs or worst of creatures or will go to hell, again is the brutal tribal mindset. It does not represent evolved thinking. What the USA was doing before 1865 or

what Al Qaeda and Taliban mindsets are doing even today, does not even come under the purview of “evolved human mind.” These are just animal behavior.

If I were to restrict myself to more “refined” set of innovations, caste system stands miles above all. **Caste system is a mathematically flawed, unverifiable, and prejudiced concept that has no logical basis whatsoever as well as is against Vedas – the source of Hinduism.** Yet, this foolish innovation has contributed the most to damage of the otherwise glorious culture of this great land. Instead of being a wolf that brutally attacks, it has been like a vampire that sucks away the blood while we remain asleep.

I have already written in length on how this foolish innovation is against the very tenets of Vedas – the source book of Hinduism. I have also discussed how this has been the prime culprit for our slavery and all atrocities we have faced as a society or country. And how this is the greatest stigma on the brilliant face of our civilization.

In this concluding chapter, we would look at a few inherent flaws in the basic premise of the caste sys-

tem.

Flaw 1: Caste system segregates each human

Caste system necessarily segregates each human into one of the four buckets – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra. This is like a multiple choice question set by a naive.

It does not have the option to choose anything beyond the four irrelevant choices. Further, there is a penalty of becoming outcast if you dare to do so. Hence, an irrational answer is chosen as per whims of the decision maker.

In reality, the four castes are actually called *Var-nas* (which means choice) in Vedas. They are part of a model to explain human behavior so that necessary steps for the structuring of society in a sensible manner can be taken. All scientific innovations begin from certain models, which are further analyzed, enhanced and utilized to generate worthwhile outputs. For example, the concept of mass, weight, speed, and acceleration are a basis to model complex mechanics and derive benefits. Vedas also suggest several such modeling elements and Varna system is one of the many. Reality:

As per Vedas, these four Varnas – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra represent four basic properties. Various human behaviors can be explained in the form of different combinations of these basic properties. These vary at every point in time in the same individual as well as vary as per the field of the investigation being chosen.

The concept is similar to the *CMYK* model used in printing to generate different colors. The Cyan, Magenta, Yellow and Black colors defined at each point on the paper generate all kinds of images we see in magazines and photographs. Just imagine how foolish you would consider me if I show you a random photograph of some person, and demand you to answer whether the picture is Cyan, Magenta, Yellow or Black! If I do it with everyone in my colony, perhaps they would together lodge a complaint to have me treated in mental hospital in the public interest! In the case of the caste system, this insanity has been tolerated in our colony for ages leading to havoc.

Flaw 2: Caste system has been restricted to four Varnas

Going a step ahead on the previous point, the harsh

reality is that caste system has never been restricted to these four Varnas alone. As explained earlier, because of restrictions in freely looking at sensible options beyond the four castes model and combinations of these castes, people were forced to create a complex web of castes, sub-castes, sub-sub-castes and so on. Even among Brahmins, there are high caste Brahmins and low caste Brahmins. If you go to Varanasi to learn Vedas, the high caste Brahmins will refuse unless you belong to a high caste Brahmin family.

Even among so-called low caste Dalits and Shudras, there are high caste Dalits and low caste Dalits. A Yadav will claim to be higher than Bishnoi and Bishnoi will claim to be higher than Yadav. Yet, each will fight to be included in OBC or SC/ST list. There is a Dassa Agarwal and Bissa Agarwal and each claim to be superior. There is a Prajapati, which will sometimes call itself Vaishya and sometimes a Shudra. Even Muslims and Christians have hundreds of castes, sub-castes, high castes and low castes. Currently, we have thousands of such frivolous classifications, and we all take pride in belonging to our own classification by birth. We fight for special rights for our own sub-sub-sub-....sub-castes.

One foolish concept has led to such a complex ecosystem of even more foolish caste-network that keeps building up. That is why I call it a foolish innovation.

If we go back to the scriptures that are blamed for starting this mess, there is not even a remote reference to such complex classifications. And hence, there is absolute chaos in matters of social rights and status of these thousand innovatively foolish sub-sub-sub...sub-castes.

In case we are humble enough to go back to the original source – the Vedas – they clearly assert – 'There is only ONE caste – Humanity. All humans have same rights irrespective of their birth. What status a human achieves must solely be based on his or her merit and NOTHING else.

Flaw 3: Caste system is supported by Hindu scriptures

Some wisest fools give reference from scriptures that Brahmins came from the mouth of God, Kshatriya from hands, Vaishya from tummy and Shudra from legs. Hence, the caste system is birth-based. We have already analyzed this reference in great details.

But let us now evaluate how flawed this entire hallucination is.

Did God also give a certificate while throwing a Brahmin out of the mouth and Shudra out of the feet? Alternatively, did he put a tag for verification to prevent piracy? The most basic documents have this feature. Why was God unintelligent enough to miss this?

**If he was not, what method do we have in place to verify whether a person who is claiming to be a Brahmin is indeed a Brahmin? Does he have a DNA test certificate that he or she is the biological progeny of the first Brahmin who were spit-
ted out of the mouth of God at the inception of civilization millions of years ago?**

If not, why do we believe so? Being a Brahmin gives you superior rights. Obviously, there is a natural incentive for a dishonest person to claim being a Brahmin. Don't we see the number of fake certificates and fake currency being printed from corrupt places in the country?

The hard fact is that there is no way to verify whether a Brahmin of today is indeed a progeny of

someone who was Brahmin even 200 years ago, forget about millions of years. The very concept of ID proofs has come today, and even that is being faked. The probability of a Brahmin of today being actually a progeny of Brahmin at the inception of civilization is extremely minimal. In the same vein, the probability of a 'Dalit' being the progeny of a 'Dalit' at the inception of civilization is even more minimal.

The same argument goes for every caste.

Hence, the caste system has nothing divine in it. If it were divine, there would have been obvious ways to verify the same conclusively. For example, it is easy to verify whether someone is human or an animal (I am excluding those cases where humans conduct beastly deeds). It is easy to verify whether someone is dog or pigeon.

That being not the case, the caste system is at most a human innovation. Very primitive minds divide everything in binary – good, bad; black, white, etc. Evolved minds even add more choices. However, a fertile mind would embrace the fact that there is a continuum, and any classification is merely an approximation. As mind power increases, you start us-

ing more complex models to explain the world.

As babies, we learn addition and subtraction by drawing lines and counting them. Then we learn arithmetic and algebra. Smart ones understand calculus. Algebra would help to find the area of square and rectangle. But to find the volume of a sphere, we need to learn calculus. So, it will be called foolish dogmatism if we try to use the formula of the cube to find the volume of a sphere because as per your book formula of the cube is *divine*!

Let us be more honest and admit that caste system is a baseless, unverifiable, whimsical innovation. All we can say about a person is that he or she is a person. **Any claim on his caste will only be a blind assertion.**

Flaw 4: Mleccha doesn't belong to any caste

No one knows in which caste to put 6 billion non-Hindu population of the world. When someone embraces Hinduism, fools debate on whether the person should be considered a Brahmin or Shudra. People like Stephen Knapp – who have contributed more to Hinduism than bigoted casteist pundits was denied entry in Puri temple because he was not born as a

Hindu.

Some call such people *Mleccha*.

The reality, however, is that these *Mlecchas* have demonstrated more intelligence and vision than all the caste-loving pundits of Kashi put together. They have brought more researches, innovations, inventions and discoveries and even the books of casteists need to use printing technology or internet invented by these outcasts!

Either these *Mlecchas* are the real Brahmins or God better make entire world *Mleccha* or outcast.

India became enslaved because of this foolish birth-based casteism that ensured that a person can become outcast for a most frivolous reason, but there is no mechanism for such person to become a respectable Hindu again. Hence, we see Kashmir, Pakistan, and Bangladesh becoming our headache.

Flaw 5: Only in special situations caste can be changed

Some modern thinkers claim that caste is based on actions and nature but not on birth. Others say that in special situations, one can change the caste. Both

these arguments are flawed. Because both of them demand the existence of a third-party certification agency that allocates caste. But since spiritualism is directly between me and my God, who are these third-party agents to certify how I should follow my God's voice? And who will decide caste of these certifying agents?

Further, may be in primitive society, it was easy to bucket each individual into one of the four castes. Because professions were simple. However, it is impossible to do so today due to complexities. **A four-part classification is too crude and elementary.** For example, what is a caste of a software engineer? What is a caste of computer technician? What is a caste of anti-virus maker who fights against cyber-attacks? What is a caste of e-commerce platform developer? What is a caste of a paid project manager?

Only a person who did not study mathematics seriously would try to fit in an approximate classification just because it is written in some obscure book, as narrated by some apologetics. An honest person would simply say, they are all humans. And each moment, they take one or more roles of being a Brahmin (knowledge-oriented), Kshatriya (defense ori-

ented), Vaishya (economy oriented) or Shudra (task oriented).

Flaw 6: Caste system is foundation of Hinduism

Some defend it by saying this is the foundation of Hinduism or *Sanatan Dharma*. They refer to history and *Purush Sukta*. As for history, that does not hold water. There are many things we do that we never did in history. And there are many things we did in history that we ourselves gladly rejected as evil. For example, polygamy and dynastic rule.

Also, we forget that Vedas provide hundreds of models, and if we are not able to understand one model properly, we better adopt some other model.

If you do not know how to fly a supersonic, you will reach faster on a horse. Moreover, if you know how you fly a supersonic, you don't insist on the donkey for historical or "scriptural" reasons. You need not even learn to ride a horse to fly a supersonic.

Let us get rid of this foolish dogmatism. Let us eradicate this caste system from the very root. Let us stop trying to defend a primitive model of caste-classification in any way. **Let us be honest to Vedas – the root of Hinduism.** Let us realize that there is

nothing Hindu or Vedic about the caste system. In fact, the caste system is the most anti-Vedic or anti-Hindu concept.

The West was worse than animals until 1865 when slavery was banned. They then decided to look afresh. They did not try to glorify their ignominious past. In fact, they repented for it. And hence today, they are the world-leaders.

If we want to be world leaders as well, let us also humbly accept this blunder of ours. Let destruction of caste system be the number one priority.

Let we become One India, One Society, One Caste and let merit alone decide who achieves what.

If we do not do so, we will continue to remain the most queer society of world – that is so intelligent and yet so tormented. And if we can destroy this foolish innovation from roots, we would be unstoppable.

Say No to Caste System and Unleash the Legend Within.

THERE IS NO CASTE SYSTEM IN VEDAS

It is unfortunate that in our country, where Vedas were the foundation of our culture, we forgot these original lessons of Vedas and got trap in a variety of misconceptions regarding birth-based caste system and discrimination of people born in certain caste collectively known as Shudras.

The misleading theories of communists and biased Indologists have already caused great damage to our society and have sown seeds of differences. It is unfortunate that so-called Dalits consider themselves outcast, and hence, we fail to unite for prosperity and security. The only solution is to go back to the roots – the Vedas – and rebuild our understanding of our relationships with each other.

In this chapter, we will further evaluate the reality of caste system and see many examples of Varna Migration.

What is caste?

The concept of caste is relatively new. Vedas contain no word that can be considered a synonym for ‘caste.’ The two words commonly considered to mean ‘caste,’ are *Jaati* and *Varna*. However, the truth is that all the three mean completely different things.

Caste is a European innovation having no semblance in Vedic culture.

What is Jaati?

Jaati means a classification based on the source of origin. *Nyaya Sutra* states “*Samaanaprasavaatmika Jaatib*” or those having similar birth source form a *Jaati*.

An initial broad classification made by Rishis is four-fold:

- *Udbhija* (coming out of ground like plants)
- *Andaja* (coming out of eggs like birds and reptiles)
- *Pindaja* (mammals) and

- *Ushmaj* (reproducing due to temperatures and ambient conditions like virus and bacteria.)

Similarly, various animals like elephant, lion, rabbits, etc. form different '*Jaati*.' In the same manner, entire humanity forms one '*Jaati*'. A particular *Jaati* will have similar physical characteristics, cannot change from one *Jaati* to another, and cannot crossbreed. *Jaati* is the creation of Ishwar or God.

Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra are no way different *Jaati* because there is no difference in the source of birth or even physical characteristics to differentiate between them.

Later, word '*Jaati*' started being used to imply any classification. In common usage, we call even different communities as different '*Jaati*.' However, that is merely convenience of usage. In reality, all humans form one single *Jaati*.

What is Varna?

The actual word used for Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya and Shudra is '*Varna*' and not *Jaati*.

The word '*Varna*' is used not only for these four but also for *Dasyu* and *Arya*.

‘Varna’ means one that is adopted by choice. While *Jaati* is provided by God, ‘*Varna*’ is our own choice.

Those who choose to be *Arya* are called ‘*Arya Varna*.’ Those who choose to be *Dasyu* become ‘*Dasyu Varna*’. Same for Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra.

That is why Vedic Dharma is called ‘*Varnashram Dharma*.’ The word *Varna* itself implies that this is based on complete freedom of choice and meritocracy.

Those involved in intellectual activities have chosen ‘*Brahmin Varna*’. Those into defense and warfare are ‘*Kshatriya Varna*’. Those in economics and animal rearing are ‘*Vaishya Varna*’ and those involved in other support functions are “*Shudra Varna*”. They refer merely to various choices of professions and have nothing to do with any *Jaati* or birth.

“Purush Sukta”- The biggest culprit?

Often mantras of *Purush Sukta* are cited to prove that Brahmins originated from Mouth, Kshatriya from hands, Vaishya from thighs and Shudras from legs of God. Hence, these Varnas are birth-based. However,

nothing could be more deceptive. Let us see why:

Vedas describe God to be shapeless and unchangeable. How can such a God take the shape of a gigantic person if He is shapeless?

If indeed this were true, this would defy the theory of Karma of Vedas because as per Theory of Karma, one's family of birth can change as per his or her deeds. One born in Shudra family can take birth as king's son in next birth. But if Shudras are born from feet of God, how can same Shudra again take birth from hands of God?

The soul is timeless and never born. The soul can have no Varna. It is only when the soul takes birth as a human it has a chance to opt a Varna. Then what does it mean by a Varna coming from one part of God's body? If Soul did not take birth from God's body, then does it mean the body of the soul is prepared from God's body parts? However, as per Vedas, even nature is eternal. And same atoms recycle among various humans. It is technically impossible for anyone taking birth from God's body, even if we assume God to be having a body.

“Purush Sukta” – The actual meaning

The said *Purush Sukta* is in 31st Chapter of *Yajurveda*, apart from *Rigveda* and *Atharvaveda* with some variations. In *Yajurveda*, it is 31.11. To see what it actually means, let us look at the previous mantra 31.10. It asks a question – Who is mouth? Who is hand? Who is thigh and who is leg?

The next mantra gives the answer – Brahmin is the mouth. Kshatriya is hand. Vaishya is thigh and Shudra becomes the legs.

Note that the mantra does not say that Brahmin “takes birth” from mouth...It says Brahmin “is” mouth. Because if the mantra would mean “takes birth” it would not answer the question in previous mantra “Who is mouth?”

For example, if I ask “Who is Dashrath?” An answer like “Rama is born from Dashrath” would be meaningless!

The actual meaning is: In society, Brahmins or intellectuals form the brain, head or mouth that think and speak. Kshatriyas or defense personnel form the hands that protect. Vaishyas or producers and businessmen form the thigh that support and nurture

(note that thigh bone or femur produces blood and is the strongest bone). In *Atharvaveda*, instead of *Uru* or Thigh, the word “*Madhya*” is used meaning that it also denotes the stomach and central part of the body. Shudra or Labor force forms the legs that lay the foundation and make the body run.

The next mantras talk of other parts of this body like mind, eyes, etc. The *Purush Sukta* describes the origin and continuation of creation including human society and states ingredients of a meaningful society.

It is a pity that such a beautiful allegorical description of society and creation is distorted to mean something that is completely contrary to Vedic ethos.

Even the Brahman texts, *Manusmriti*, *Mahabharat*, *Ramayan*, and *Bhagvat*, do not state anything even close to the crazy hypothesis of God creating Brahmins by tearing of flesh from his mouth, Kshatriya from the flesh of hands and so on.

It is thus obvious why Brahmins are accorded high respect in Vedas. This is same as what happens even in modern society. Scholars and experts get our respect because they form the direction-providers for entire humanity. However, as we have discussed in

previous chapters, the dignity of labor is equally emphasized in Vedas, and hence, there is no element of discrimination.

In Vedic culture, everyone is considered to be born as Shudra. Then based on his or her education, one becomes a Brahmin, Kshatriya or Vaishya. This completion of education is considered to be the second birth. Hence, these three *Varnas* are called “*Dwija*” or twice-born. But those who remain uneducated for whatever reasons are not discarded from society. They continue as Shudra and perform support activities for the society.

A son of Brahmin, if he fails to complete his education, becomes a Shudra. Similarly, son of a Shudra or even a *Dasyu*, if he completes his education can become a Brahmin, Kshatriya or Vaishya. This is a pure meritocracy. The way degrees are accorded today; *Yajnopaveet* was provided in the Vedic system. Further, non-compliance with the code of conduct for each Varna could result in taking away of the *Yajnopaveet*.

Examples of change of Varnas

There are many examples exist of change of Varnas in Vedic history.

- Aitareya Rishi was the son of a *Daasa* or criminal but became a Brahmin of the highest order and wrote Aitareya Brahman and Aitareyopani-shad. Aitareya Brahman is considered critical to understanding Rigveda.
- Ailush Rishi was the son of a *Daasi*, gambler and of low character. However, he researched on Rigveda and made several discoveries. Not only he was invited by Rishis but also made an Acharya. (Aitareya Brahman 2.19)
- Satyakaam Jaabaaal was the son of a prostitute but became a Brahmin.
- Prishadh was the son of King Daksha but became a Shudra. Further, he did Tapasya to achieve salvation after repenting.
- (Vishnu Puran 4.1.14) Had Tapasya been banned for Shudra as per the fake story from Uttar Ramayan, how could Prishadh do so?
- Nabhag, son of King Nedishtha, became Vaishya. Many of his sons again became Kshatriya. (Vishnu Puran 4.1.13)
- Dhrist was son of Nabhag (Vaishya) but be-

came Brahmin, and his son became Kshatriya (VP 4.2.2)

- Further in his generation, some became Brahmin again (VP 9.2.23)
- As per Bhagvat, Agniveshya became Brahmin though born to a king.
- Rathotar born in Kshatriya family became a Brahmin as per Vishnu Puran and Bhagvat.
- Haarit became Brahmin though born to Kshatriya (Vishnu Puran 4.3.5)
- Shaunak became Brahmin though born in Kshatriya family. (Vishnu Puran 4.8.1). In fact, as per Vayu Puran, Vishnu Puran, and Harivansh Puran, sons of Shaunak Rishi belonged to all four Varnas.
- Similar examples exist of Gritsamad, Veethavya, and Vritsamati.
- Matanga was the son of Chandala but became a Brahmin.
- Raavan was born from Pulatsya Rishi but became a Rakshas.

- Pravridha was the son of Raghu King but became a Rakshas.
- Trishanku was a king but became a Chandal.
- Sons of Vishwamitra became Shudra. Vishwamitra himself was a Kshatriya, who later became a Brahmin.
- Vidur was the son of a servant but became a Brahmin and minister of Hastinapur Empire.

The word “Shudra” has come in Vedas around 20 times. Nowhere has it been used in a derogatory manner. Nowhere has it mentioned that Shudras are untouchable, birth-based, disallowed from study of Vedas, lesser in status than other Varnas, disallowed in Yajnas.

In Vedas, Shudra means a hard-working person. (*Tapase Shudram – Yajurveda 30.5*). That is why *Purush Sukta* calls them as the foundation of entire human society.

Since the four Varnas refer to four kinds of activities by choice, as per Vedas, the same person exhibits characteristics of the four Varnas in different situations. Everyone belongs to all the four Varnas. How-

ever, for simplicity sake, we refer to the predominant profession to be the representative Varna.

Hence, all humans should strive to be all the four Varnas to best of their capabilities, as per Vedic wisdom. This is the essence of Purush Sukta.

The Rishis like Vasisth, Vishwamitra, Angira, Gautam, Vasudeva and Kanva exhibited traits of all the four Varnas. They discovered meanings of Vedic mantras, destroyed Dasyus, did manual labor and indulged in wealth management for social welfare.

We should also emulate the same.

Summary

In summary, we see that the Vedic society considers all humans to be one single *Jaati* or race, upholds the dignity of labor and provides equal opportunity for all humans to adopt the Varna of their choice.

There is no element of birth-based discrimination of any manner in the Vedas.

May we all unite together as one integrated family, reject the last element of birth-based discrimination of any manner and embrace each other as brothers and sisters.

May we also thwart the designs of those who want to mislead us by making baseless claims of casteism in Vedas and destroy the criminals aka *Dasyu/Daas/Rakshas*.

May we all come under the shelter of Vedas and work together to strengthen the humanity as one single family.

PART 2: MANU SMRITI AND CASTE SYSTEM

MANU SMRITI AND SHUDRAS

If Agniveer were to list the top two nuisances in India, it would undoubtedly be *birth-based caste system and gender discrimination*.

Yes, India is plagued by a plethora of challenges today. – Corruption, fundamentalism, terrorism, conversions, moral degradation, lack of education, health issues, sanitation problems and many more. But despite all these problems and threats, *the top two – by a wide margin – would remain casteism and gender discrimination*.

Because one way or the other, rest of the problems can be attributed to these two core disgraces of our otherwise glorious culture. Until these two problems – that remain the primary causes of almost all our

miseries of past and present – are eradicated from the root, the hope of a glorious future would remain nothing more than hallucinations of an insane.

In other words, a prosperous and powerful society cannot co-exist with casteism and gender discrimination.

Please note that casteism and gender discrimination are not specifically Hindu issues. On the contrary, they are more of cultural issues. Gender discrimination has been a global phenomenon for ages. Casteism seems like a South Asian nuisance affecting all societies and religions that breed here, just as color-based racism is a western phenomenon.

However, Hinduism being the oldest culture and fountainhead of all other religions has to accept the blame of polluting the source. Because when these two nuisances were tolerated, the society became weak and deluged with so many different cults and religions leading to further weaknesses. All leading to the present mess and all the messes of past that we know from history.

It is surprising to find even today, many defenders of these two nuisances from otherwise intellectual

and educated backgrounds. The virus of birth-based superiority is so strong that it renders even the most rational insane. *Many of these virus-affected patients are considered among scholars and leaders of contemporary Hinduism!*

They would innocently point to ancient scriptures that justify these nuisances and then attempt to prove the 'science' behind consuming this trash. The most popular scripture that is used as a scapegoat is the Manu Smriti – the oldest text on social systems.

In next two chapters, we shall evaluate the Manu Smriti.

Manu Smriti and Dalit Movement

Manu Smriti is among the most controversial texts of Vedic culture. It is not only known as the first codified text on ethics and laws in the world but also as a text promoting blatant casteism. The entire Dalit movement of modern times is based on foundations of protesting against *Manuvaad*'.

While Manu is a hero for casteists, Dalit leaders typecast Manu as a great villain. Copies of Manu Smriti are burnt in mass to showcase love for backward sections of society by likes of Agnivesh, Mayawati,

and many others. Films have been made depicting Manu as a horned devil in the guise of scholar forcing brutal atrocity on lower caste people to fulfill his perverted fetishes. Manu Smriti has become the favorite pasture for scavengers keen on bashing Hinduism and Vedas. This becomes among the most potent tools for promoting conversion away from Hinduism. And interestingly most of these Manu bashers perhaps never ever gave Manu Smriti a serious reading!

On the other side, for sadist forces within Hinduism who want to fool themselves and others on the basis of their so-called birth superiority, Manu Smriti is a religious text that gives them the divine authority to deny fair treatment to one section of population merely because they were not born special. They would quote from fake adulterated verses of Manu Smriti that smell of casteism and gender discrimination, conveniently ignoring the plethora of shlokas that speak exactly the opposite.

The tussle between these two forces has not only shaped the current cheap politics of Bharat but has been a major factor leading to foreign invasions of last 1000 years. This wretched caste system was the

prime reason we could not defend our nation against barbaric invaders. This illogical caste-system was the prime reason India had to be partitioned in 1947. And this disgusting caste system is the prime reason despite so much of talent and intellectual treasure India is still a sluggish meek spineless snail in the race towards prosperity and power.

Therefore, it becomes utmost necessary to review Manu Smriti and check what it actually stands for.

Three allegations on Manu Smriti

There are three major allegations on Manu Smriti:

- Manu founded the caste system based on birth.
- Manu legalized harsh punishments for Shudras and special provisions for upper-castes and especially Brahmins.
- Manu was anti-women and condemned them. He accorded inferior rights to women.

In this chapter, we will review the first allegation – that Manu was the founder of the birth-based caste system.

Manu Smriti hails from an era when even the con-

cept of birth-based caste system did not exist. Manu Smriti nowhere supports a social system based on birth.

Manu Smriti and Caste System

Maharshi Manu took inspiration from Vedas and proposed a social system based on qualities, actions, and nature of the individual. This is called *Varna System*. Now the very word Varna derived from root word “*Vrinja*” means “*Choice*.” A similar usage happens in commonly used word “*Varan*” meaning “choosing” or “*Var*” meaning a husband chosen by the girl. This also shows that the girl had complete right to choose her husband in the Vedic system.

The biggest proof of Manu Smriti proposing Varna System and NOT Caste System is that in the first Chapter of Manu Smriti, there is mention of the origin of four Varnas and no mention of castes or *gotras*. Had caste or *gotra* been important, Manu would have mentioned which castes belong to Brahmins, which to Kshatriyas, which to Vaishyas and which to Shudras.

This also means that those who feel proud in calling themselves Brahmins or upper-caste by birth

have no evidence to prove so. They can only prove that a few generations of their forefathers also used to call themselves upper-caste. But there is no way to prove that they were upper-castes since the inception of civilization. And when they cannot prove so, *what right do they have to allege that a so-called birth-based Shudra was also not a Brahmin several generations ago?* And that they themselves were not Shudras a few generations ago!

In fact, *Manu Smriti 3.109* clearly states that one who eats by glorifying his *Gotra* or *Family* is considered an eater of his own vomit.

As per the *Manu Smriti* that the self-proclaimed birth based Brahmins or upper-castes believe in, the very act of glorifying their lineage or *Gotra* to demand special privileges makes them deserving of condemnation.

Manu Smriti 2.136 states that one earns respect due to wealth, company, age, actions, and knowledge in increasing order. There is no mention of family, gotra, caste, lineage and other non-factors to demand or earn respect.

Migration within Varnas

Manu Smriti 10.65: This shloka asserts that Brahmin can become Shudra and Shudra can become Brahmin. Similarly, Kshatriyas and Vaishyas can also change their Varnas.

Manu Smriti 9.335: If a Shudra (uneducated) serves the educated ones, is polite, devoid of ego and stays in the respectful company of knowledgeable ones, he/she is considered as having a noble birth and stature.

Several shlokas in Manu Smriti state that a person belonging to high Varna falls down to the level of a Shudra (uneducated) if he does not conduct noble deeds. For example:

Manu Smriti 2.104: A person who does not worship the Supreme Lord twice daily should be considered a Shudra.

Manu Smriti 2.172: He who has not been initiated with the teaching of the Vedas is a Sudra.

Manu Smriti 4.245: A Brahmin acquires brilliance through the company of noble persons and avoiding bad company. On the contrary, if he indulges in bad company, he becomes a Shudra.

Clearly, Brahmin refers to a scholarly person who conducts noble deeds. And Shudra refers to an uneducated person. This has nothing to do with birth in any manner.

Manu Smriti 2.168: A Brahmin, Kshatriya or Vaishya who puts efforts in other areas except understanding and following the Vedic precepts becomes a Shudra and his future generations also suffer from ignorance of Vedas.

As per Manu Smriti, today, almost the entire population of India, barring few exceptions, is Shudra. This is because we do not abide by the Vedic concepts and we are indulged in anti-Vedic activities – corruption, casteism, selfishness, superstitions, irrationality, gender-discrimination, sycophancy, immorality, etc.

Manu Smriti 2.126: Even if he is a Brahmin otherwise, a person who does not politely respond to a greeting is actually a Shudra (uneducated person).

Even Shudras can teach

Though Shudra means an uneducated person, a Shudra can also become a teacher for specific knowledge that he has. For example,

Manu Smriti 2.238: One should acquire knowledge even from a person born in a low family otherwise. Similarly, one should accept a noble woman as a wife even if her family is otherwise not up to mark.

Manu Smriti 2.241: If needed, one may acquire knowledge from one who is not a Brahmin; and that he shall follow and serve such a teacher, as long as the instruction lasts.

Status of 'Brahmin' is acquired by deeds

As per Manu Smriti, one has to earn the qualification of Brahmin. During childhood, parents are supposed to send their children for the specialized education of Brahmin, Kshatriya or Vaishya depending on observed nature of children. Many Brahmin parents may desire that their children also become Brahmins. However, that is not sufficient. One becomes Brahmin only if he completes the education and not merely by taking birth in a Brahmin family or taking admission in Brahmin course of a gurukul.

Manu Smriti 2.157: A Brahmin devoid of education is equivalent to an elephant made of wood or a deer made of leather. They are merely namesake and not real.

Manu Smriti 2.28: The body is rightfully called Brahmin only through the study of scriptures, discipline, noble, selfless deeds, the study of duties, science and meditation, charity, and goal-oriented actions.

Education is true birth

As per Manu, actual birth happens after completion of education. All human beings are Shudras or uneducated when born. Those who complete their education are supposed to have a new birth. They are called Dwija or Twice Born. Those who were unable to complete the education remain Shudra. This has nothing to do with birth or heredity. This is a pure meritocracy.

Manu Smriti 2.148: When a teacher who is well-versed in Vedas teaches a student the science of Gayatri (that summarizes all principles of Vedas and rational living), then the actual birth of the student takes place. This birth is free from risks of death or destruction and leads the student to immortality.

Forget about being a Brahmin, Kshatriya or Vaishya; one is not considered even a human unless he/she receives an education.

Manu Smriti 2.146: The teacher who provides ed-

ucation is a father who is much greater than the father who gave birth. The knowledge provided by the teacher remains with the soul even after the death and leads him to immortality. But the body provided by father destroys when death comes.

Manu Smriti 2.147: The birth that happens from the womb of the mother after parents' desire for procreation is an ordinary birth. Real birth happens when the person completes his education.

Citing lineage to showcase casteist superiority is an extremely foolish act as per Manu Smriti. Instead of quoting the clan, one becomes superior by showcasing that he is more educated.

Manu Smriti 10.4: Brahmin, Kshatriya, and Vaishya take second birth after education. Shudra, who could not complete education, is fourth Varna. There is no fifth Varna among Arya or noble people.

This also means that merely because a person did not complete education does not make him a villain. He is still regarded as a noble person if his deeds are noble.

And if he completes the education, he can become a Dwija as well. *Shudra is an adjective and NOT a nomen-*

clature for any caste.

Never insult anyone born in lower family

To further ensure that one is not insulted or denied opportunities merely because he/she was born in a family where others did not excel in education, wealth or other parameters of success in society, Maharshi Manu laid the rule very clearly:

Manu Smriti 4.141: Never deny respect and/or rights to a person who is handicapped, uneducated, aged, not handsome, not wealthy or coming from a lower family. These are NOT the parameters to judge a person.

Examples of Varna migration in ancient history

The concept of Varnas – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, Shudra – being merit based and NOT birth based is not merely a theoretical concept. Varna system was practiced in the ancient era. The greatest misery befell on us when our misguided ancestors converted this scientific meritocracy into a foolish birth-based system causing all the miseries we face today.

Here are some examples:

- Aitareya Rishi was the son of a Daasa or criminal but became a Brahmin of the highest order and wrote Aitareya Brahman and Aitareyopani-shad. Aitareya Brahman is considered critical to understanding Rigveda.
- Ailush Rishi was the son of a Daasi, gambler and of low character. However, he researched on Rigveda and made several discoveries. Not only was he invited by Rishis but also made an Acharya. (Aitareya Brahman 2.19)
- Satyakaam Jaabaa was the son of a prostitute but became a Brahmin.
- Prishadh was the son of King Daksha but became a Shudra. Further, he did Tapasya to achieve salvation after repenting. (Vishnu Puran 4.1.14). Had Tapasya been banned for Shudra as per the fake story from Uttar Ramayan, how could Prishadh do so?
- Nabhag, son of King Nedishtha, became Vaishya. Many of his sons again became Kshatriya. (Vishnu Puran 4.1.13)
- Dhrist was the son of Nabhag (Vaishya) but became Brahmin, and his son became Kshatriya

(VP 4.2.2). Further, in his generation, some became Brahmin again (VP 9.2.23)

- As per Bhagwat, Agniveshya became Brahmin though born to a king.
- Rathotar born in Kshatriya family became a Brahmin as per Vishnu Puran and Bhagvat.
- Haarit became Brahmin though born to Kshatriya (VP 4.3.5)
- Shaunak became Brahmin though born in Kshatriya family. (VP 4.8.1). In fact, as per Vayu Puran, Vishnu Puran, and Harivansh Puran, sons of Shaunak Rishi belonged to all four Varnas.
- Similar examples exist of Gritsamad, Veethavya, and Vritsamati:
- Matanga was the son of Chandala but became a Brahmin. (Mahabharat Anushasan Parva Chapter 3)
- Raavan was born from Pulatsya Rishi but became a Rakshas.
- Pravridha was the son of Raghu King but became a Rakshas.

- Trishanku was a king but became a Chandala.
- Sons of Vishwamitra became Shudra. Vishwamitra himself was a Kshatriya, who later became a Brahmin.
- Vidur was the son of a servant but became a Brahmin and minister of Hastinapur Empire.

Vatsa became a Rishi though born to a Shudra (Aitareya Brahman 2.19)

Many verses of adulterated Manu Smriti (10.43-44) state that certain castes were earlier Kshatriya, but later became Shudra. These verses are adulterated but prove that concept of Varna migration did exist. The caste mentioned: Paundrak, Audru, Dravid, Kamboj, Yavan, Shak, Parad, Palhava, Cheen, Kirat, Darad, Khash.

Mahabharat Anushasana Parva 35.17-18 adds the following to above list: Mekal, Laat, Kanvashira, Shaundik, Daarva, Chaur, Shabar, Barbar.

Several gotras are common across Brahmins, Kshatriya, Vaishya and Dalits implying that all of them hailed from the same family but rather got entrapped in the stupid casteism.

Respect for Shudras

Manu was a great humanitarian. He knew that not all Shudras miss their education deliberately. He also understood that just because one ignored education in early part of his life does not mean that he should be penalized for that mistake for entire life. Thus, he ensured that even Shudras get their due respect in society. He never used any insulting adjective for Shudras. On the contrary, there are several instances of Manu using respectful adjectives for Shudras.

Being vulnerable due to lack of education, Shudras deserve greater sensitivity in treatment from rest of the society as per Manu. We have seen some examples of these earlier. Here are some more:

Manu Smriti 3.112: If a Shudra or Vaishya comes as a guest, the family should feed him with due respect.

Manu Smriti 3.116: A householder should eat from remaining food only after he has fed the scholars and servants (Shudras) to their satisfaction.

Manu Smriti 2.137: A very old Shudra deserves more respect than anyone else regardless of his or her wealth, company, age, actions or knowledge. This special provision is accorded only to Shudra.

Vedas are foundation of Manu Smriti

No text apart from Vedas is free from the potential for interpolations.

That is why Vedas are accorded such high importance in our culture. Vedas form the foundation of everything else and hence if Vedas are conserved, other texts can be derived by seers in future as well.

The benchmark for interpreting any other scriptural texts is the Vedas. They are to be interpreted and accepted only to the extent they comply with Vedas. This is true for ALL texts including Smritis, Brahmins, Mahabharat, Ramayan, Geeta, Upanishads, Ayurveda, Neeti Shastra, Darshans, etc.

Manu himself announces in the Manu Smriti that Vedas alone form the foundation of Dharma.

Manu Smriti 2.8: A learned man after fully scrutinizing all this with the eye of knowledge should, in accordance with the authority of the Vedas, intent on the performance of his duties.

Thus, it becomes clear that Manu Smriti has to be interpreted ONLY in lines with Vedas.

Shudras have right to study Vedas and conduct Vedic rituals

Vedas very clearly provide the right to Shudras (and women) – in fact entire humanity – to study Vedas and conduct Vedic rituals like Yajna. Refer Yajurveda 26.1, Rigveda 10.53.4, Nirukta 3.8, etc.

Manu Smriti also supports the same Vedic truth. That is why nowhere in the context of Upanayan (education initiation) Manu does forbid Upanayan or sacred thread for Shudras. On the contrary, one who refuses to accept Sacred Thread of education is called a Shudra!

In lines with Vedas, Manu also orders the ruler to ensure that the salary and perks of Shudras be never reduced in any circumstance. (7.125-126, 8.216)

Summary

To summarize, the assumption of Manu formulating a birth-based caste system is baseless. On the contrary, Manu Smriti is vehemently against any reference to family or birth to judge a person. The Varna system of Manu is a pure meritocracy.

Each human has all the four Varnas – Brahmin,

Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra. Manu attempted to organize the predominant Varna of each individual in the social context in a manner that aids individual and collective uplift.

We will review another allegation on Manu prescribing harsh punishments for Shudras and preferential treatment for Brahmins in next chapter.

But we would like to conclude this part from what Manu himself said about fraud and wrong practices.

He says in *Manu Smriti* 4.30 that frauds, wrong practices, deceit, perversion, and falsehood should not be respected even by words.

The caste system based on birth is one of the most disgusting fraudulent, deceitful perverted and false practices to exist among civilized human beings. As per Manu and as per Vedas, one should work to destroy this criminal practice by all means – harshest words and strongest actions. To show soft corner to birth-based caste system even in words is against Manu.

What about the perverted Verses of Manu Smriti?

Wait Wait Wait Agniveer! Before you end, I demand you to explain those perverted verses of Manu Smriti that are quoted everywhere to justify birth-based caste system and gender discrimination. I can provide hundreds of such shlokas from Manu Smriti.

Agniveer

That is the point, my friend. How can the same Manu Smriti have both verses defending as well as rejecting birth-based caste system? This means that Manu Smriti demands a closer scrutiny.

Let us review few summary points:

Point 1: The current Manu Smriti is full of interpolated/ adulterated verses that were added much later for various reasons. Almost 60% of presently popular Manu Smriti is actually fake. In fact, there is no evidence of current Manu Smriti being authentic apart from a Kolkata Manuscript of Manu Smriti concocted by British in 1794 through a person called William Jones. There is no other evidence of authenticity of current Manu Smriti than this dubious British text.

Point 2: Interpolation is not a problem with Manu Smriti alone. Apart from Vedas – that are preserved through a unique Patha and Swara method – all other texts of almost all belief systems are prone to modifications, interpolations, and deletions. These include Ramayana, Mahabharat, Bible, and Quran. Not to talk of texts like Bhavishya Puran that continued to be modified till printing press arrived!

Point 3: Three editions of *Ramayana* are available today – *Dakshinatyā*, *Pashchamottariya*, and *Gaudiya*, which are different. Even Geeta Press Gorakhpur has indicated many chapters as adulterated (Prakshipta). Most scholars agree that *Balkanda* and *Uttarkanda* are grossly adulterated.

Similarly, *Mahabharat* is known to be a grossly interpolated text. Garud Puran Brahmakanda 1.59 states that in Kaliyuga many frauds are posing as Brahmins to remove certain shlokas and add new ones in *Mahabharat*.

Mahabharat Shantiparva 265.9.4 itself states that Vedic texts clearly prohibit alcohol, fish, and meat. All these have been propagated by frauds who have added such verses in scriptures through deceit.

The original version of Bible does not exist today! We only have translations of translations of some translations of the original Bible, which no one has ever seen.

Quran also is claimed to be a modified version of original teachings of Muhammad.

No wonder Manu Smriti – the oldest text on social systems – is also prone to modifications. More so because Manu Smriti historically had the greatest influence in day to day life of each citizen as well as politics of the nation. After all, it was like the constitution for centuries. Hence, the incentives for a crooked one to interpolate Manu Smriti were very high.

Point 4: When we review Manu Smriti, we find four kinds of interpolations: to bring completeness, for selfish reasons, to exaggerate and to bring defects. Most of these interpolations are blatantly obvious. Dr. Surendra Kumar has written a detailed translation of Manu Smriti in Hindi that analyzes each shloka on various parameters to weed out those verses that are obviously interpolated.

He has deduced that of the 2685 shlokas of Manu Smriti, at least, 1471 shlokas are adulterated. He has

classified the adulterations as:

- out of the subject
- out of context
- contradictory
- repetition
- the difference in usage and style
- blatant contradiction with Vedas

We recommend all keen students of Vedic texts to procure a copy of Manu Smriti by Dr. Surendra Kumar (published by Aarsh Sahitya Prachar Trust, Delhi) which would make this point as transparent as air.

Point 5: Dr. Surendra Kumar is not the only person to point out adulterations in Manu Smriti. Even many a western Indologists like Macdonnell, Keith, Buhler, etc. have expressed the same.

Point 6: Even BR Ambedkar accepted that ancient scriptures have been adulterated. He has alleged adulterations in Ramayan, Mahabharat, Geeta, Puranas and even in Vedas. He cited contradictory verses from Manu Smriti. But this is ignored by modern Dalit activists.

This myopic act did stir up an anti-Manu movement and created political careers for many politicians. But this selective honesty only worsened the caste-based hatred and made Manu – a true hero – a popular villain.

Even so-called Arya Samaji Sanyasis like Agnivesh burnt copies of Manu Smriti and disgraced the great Rishi only to score political brownies. Though he very well knew that Swami Dayanand himself had asserted that Manu Smriti has been interpolated, but the unadulterated verses of Manu Smriti form the foundation of his Vedic ideology.

And now people expect such enlightened people to be instrumental in eradicating corruption from the nation by being masterminds of Anna Hazare movement! We seem to never learn from history! But that's a different story.

Conclusion

Manu Smriti has been subject to significant adulterations. However, the adulterated verses are easy to identify and trash. The rest of the Manu Smriti is an excellent text that establishes the foundations of a meritocracy based rational society that values each in-

dividual and ensures collective success.

Vedas form the foundation of original Manu Smriti.

The existing movement against Manu Smriti is purely a political game led by those who never reviewed Manu Smriti in the first place.

True Manuvaad refers to complete outright rejection of birth-based caste system and heavy punishment for those who justify discrimination on the basis of birth. It also refers to the refusal of word ‘Dalit’ or ‘crushed one’ for certain people who are completely equal to rest of the humanity in all aspects.

Let us all work to install this Manuvaad in our society by working towards a completely caste-less and merit-based society. This is the only way to save humanity and the nation.

Let us follow the true Dharma – that is same for all human beings regardless of caste, birth, gender, geography, religion and other baseless parameters.

Manu Smriti 8.17

Noble deeds or Dharma is only one true friend that accompanies one ever after death. All others des-

ert one as soon as death has overtaken.

MANU SMRITI AND PUNISHMENT

In this short chapter, we will review the second popular allegation on Maharshi Manu – *that he legalized harsh punishments for Shudras and special penal provisions for upper-castes and especially Brahmins.*

We have already reviewed in the previous chapter that around 1471 out of 2685 shlokas have been proven to be later adulterations.

All those shlokas that recommend special provisions for upper-castes and harsher punishments for Shudras are part of these bogus adulterations that are very easily identifiable.

If we review the original Manu Smriti based on Vedas, we will find the situation is completely opposite. As per Manu, the penal system takes into account the

education, social influence, designation, nature of crime and impact of crime while recommending punishments.

Manu offers greater respect and status to Brahmins – the educated ones. *Dwijas* or twice born or those who completed their education are provided heightened standing in society so far they conduct noble deeds. **But when it comes to crimes, they also have to face more severe punishments.** With greater potentials, come greater responsibilities and stricter punishments when one fails to fulfill those responsibilities.

(Here, I would like to emphasize once again that Brahmin or *Dwijja* has nothing to do with birth. It is all about education.)

If our nation adopts such penal code, the bulk of the crimes and corruptions would cease to exist, and politics will become a field where any Tom, Dick or Harry cannot dare to enter and pollute as it is happening today.

Punishment and social status of the criminal

We produce few Shlokas that are relevant to the current discussion.

Manu Smriti 8.335: Be it the father, mother, teacher, friend, wife, son or priest, one who conducts a crime is punishable by the ruler.

Manu Smriti 8.336: When the punishment for an ordinary citizen is 1 cent, the punishment for those in ruling class should be 1000 cents. In other words, the punishment for those in legislation, executive or judiciary should be 1000 times that for ordinary citizens.

The concept of immunity to MPs and Judges from impeachment and legal framework is shamelessly against Manu Smriti.

Swami Dayanand adds here – Even a peon in any department of government should have a punishment that is eight times that for ordinary citizens. And all other office bearers should have a punishment proportionate to their designation till it is 1000 times for the topmost designation. Because unless government officials have a punishment that is significantly harsher compared to ordinary citizens, the government would destroy the public. Just as taming a lion demands harsher control and a goat much lesser control, similarly to ensure the safety of the public, government officials should have extremely harsh

punishments.

Deviation from this penal code is the root-cause of all these corruption stories. Unless rectified, all other efforts to transform the nation will fall flat.

Manu Smriti 8.337-338: If one conducts a theft willingly and in full senses knowing the implications, he should be penalized eight times that of the ordinary thief if he is a Shudra. The penalty should be 16 times if he is a Vaishya, 32 times if he is a Kshatriya and 64 times if he is a Brahmin. The punishment can be even 100 times or 128 times if he is a Brahmin. In other words, **the punishment should be directly proportional to knowledge and social status of the criminal.**

Contrary to popular perceptions, when it comes to punishments, Manu Smriti is most lenient on Shudras because of their lack of education, significantly harsher on Brahmins and harshest on the government officials. In the current context, the Prime Minister, Chief Minister, Chief Justice, Leaders of National Political Parties deserve harshest punishments if they do something wrong. The Ministers, MPs, MLAs, Governors, Judges come the next. And then comes

the turn of Bureaucrats and Government Officials. And even a peon of a Government Department deserves much harsher punishment compared to ordinary citizens.

Among ordinary citizens, the educated class and those with influential social status who neglect their duties deserve harsher punishments.

As we said, with greater responsibilities come greater punishments. This is the real penal system of Manu Smriti.

And if so-called birth based Brahmins indeed want to claim supremacy over so-called birth-based Shudras, then they should also be ready to accept stricter punishments for themselves. Most birth based Brahmins do not know about Vedas. Now Manu says that those Brahmins, who put efforts in other areas except Vedas, are Shudras. Refer Manu Smriti 2.168. This is an insult to Brahmins. As per fake verses of Manu Smriti, the minimal repentance for harming a Brahmin even verbally is to remain hungry for a day (11.204 as per fake Manu Smriti). Thus, those who claim birth-right to Brahminism based on fake verses of Manu Smriti should remain hungry for at least 64

days continuously unless they are masters of Vedas and completely free of any vices including harsh language! (Punishment for Brahmins is 64 – 128 times that of ordinary mortals).

You cannot have **“Heads I win and Tails you lose.”** Be logical and honest, follow the real Manu Smriti and reject birth-based caste system totally OR be prepared for a minimum of 64 days hunger strike until you master Vedas. And then continue the strike for another 64 days if you still do not master Vedas in 64 days!

The bottom-line is that birth-based caste system does not even vaguely fit in Manu's scheme of society. Those who support it or recommend special treatment of birth based Brahmins in matters of punishments are shamelessly against Manu, Vedas, and humanity in general. And as per Manu, such persons who cause harm to society deserve extremely severe punishments.

The notion of Shudras deserving harsher punishments is simply a hoax.

May we all adopt the penal system proposed by Manu Smriti to save the nation from claws of corrupt

politicians, judiciary, and other pseudo-intellectuals.

Summary: Manu Smriti 7.17-20

- A powerful and rational penal system (Dand) is the true ruler.
- Dand is the propagator of Justice.
- Dand is the discipliner.
- Dand is the administrator.
- Dand alone protects the four Varnas and four Phases of life.
- Dand protects the public, and Dand keeps the nation awakened. That is why wise people proclaim that Dand is the Dharma.

When Dand is used with wisdom and responsibility, it brings prosperity and bliss among public. And when Dand is used recklessly, it destroys the ruler.

It seems that time has come that the corrupt leaders and officials are destroyed because they have misused the Dand a bit too much! It's also the time that we use Dand to punish those who support birth-based discrimination in any manner.

This alone can save society, nation, and humanity.

MANU SMRITI, CASTEISM AND TRAGEDY OF HINDUS

Every Dalitist intellectual very well knows that the Manu Smriti they use as basis to hate Hinduism is fake one compiled by British with no objectionable manuscript available anywhere. They know this Manusmriti has been taught in no gurukul ever. They know no Hindu keeps a copy of this Manusmriti in their home. They know no Dalit has ever been killed in last 100000 years by putting molten lead in his ears citing Manusmriti.

Yet they have propagated hatred among different Hindu communities based on total lie.

Have you ever seen a Manu Smriti in any temple? Have you seen anyone reciting Manu Smriti? Yet

Manu Smriti is forced upon Hinduism to abuse Hindus. Reality is that this Manu Smriti is a British creation. The real Manu Smriti is anti-casteist.

The real Manu Smriti is most pro-Dalit text to be ever written in human history stating clearly that Karma alone matters, not caste. That rejects the notion of segregation on basis of caste, sub-caste etc.

Today both pro-casteist and anti-casteist groups use this fake Manu Smriti to justify their prejudices. Jihadis laugh by playing Hindu against Hindu. They kill and rape all castes. We continue to be fooled. Sheer madness, nothing else.

Summary facts

- Modern Manu Smriti was created by British, not Hindus. They published one Calcutta manuscript in 1794 and imposed upon us as Hindu Law. No one knows from where this Calcutta manuscript came from.
- At least 50 different Manu Smriti manuscripts with different verses are available in archives and there is no way to choose one as authentic.
- The British-created Manu Smriti that commu-

nists burn has verses that denigrate women and 'lower' castes. Ironically, the same Manu Smriti has an ample number of verses that oppose casteism and uplifts women to a status higher than men with full freedom.

- There has been no evidence of any punishment meted to anyone in history on basis of Manu Smriti.
- 99.99% of Hindus do not have Manu Smriti at homes. It is rarely published because none apart from British, communists, and some casteists would be interested in it.
- When communists have to burn Manu Smriti, they first search on the internet, then take print-outs from some British site and then burn those pages. Because they are unable to get the book from any Hindu religious store.
- If your hypothesis is that religion has subjugated women and human rights, then the top two culprits would be Quran and Bible. More women and men are suffering/killed right now because of Quranic fatwas by religious leaders than the number of people ever born who even

heard the discriminatory shlokas of Manu Smriti in last 10000 years. Bible has similar objectionable passages explaining the discrimination women faced in medieval Europe. Do a google search and you will see all.

- Hindus must study the original Manu Smriti and be proud of our wonderful heritage. It's an awesome book with few parallels in the global library.
- Rational liberals must make original Manu Smriti the mascot of women liberation and social equality movements.
- Communists must burn Quran and Bible instead if they are really honest to their spirit of burning any text that is used to discriminate. They must start with what is impacting most, instead of what nobody has even heard of.

Once again, here are some wonderful verses from original Manu Smriti:

8.337-338: If one conducts a crime willingly and in full senses knowing the implications, he should be penalized 8 times that of the ordinary thief if he is a Shudra. The penalty should be 16 times if he is a

Vaishya, 32 times if he is a Kshatriya and 64 times if he is a Brahmin. The punishment can be even 100 times or 128 times if he is a Brahmin. In other words, the punishment should be directly proportional to knowledge and social status of the criminal.

10.65: Brahmin can become Shudra and Shudra can become Brahmin. Similarly, Kshatriyas and Vaishyas can also change their Varnas.

2.28: The body is made fit to be called Brahmin only through the study of scriptures, discipline, noble selfless deeds, the study of duties, science and meditation, charity and goal-oriented actions.

9.335: If a Shudra (uneducated) serves the educated ones, is polite, devoid of ego and stays in the respectful company of knowledgeable ones, he/ she is considered as having a noble birth and stature.

3.56. The society that provides respect and dignity to women flourishes with nobility and prosperity. And a society that does not put women on such a high pedestal has to face miseries and failures regardless of howsomuch noble deeds they perform otherwise.

9.26. Women give birth to next generation. They

enlighten the home. They bring fortune and bliss. Hence women are synonymous to Prosperity.

This shloka forms the basis of women being called Ghar ki Laxmi or 'Goddess of Fortune in Home' in India even till today.

And here is the masterpiece that would slap every pseudo-feminist who burns Manusmriti:

9.12. A woman who is kept constrained in a home by noble men (husband, father, and son) is still insecure. Thus it is futile to restrict women. Security of women would come only through her own capabilities and mindset.

Casteism is everywhere

Casteism is a social problem affecting all religions of South Asia. It is much lesser evil than racism and Kafirism of Bible and Quran. Today, there is more caste-based reservation benefits in Muslim society of India than Hindu society. Almost 60% Muslims who got selected in UPSC 2017 were from reserved category.

If a Brahmin hates an SC/ST more than a Jihadi, and SC/ST hates a Brahmin more than a Jihadi, then

both deserve to be plundered by Jihadi till they get extinct like in Iran.

There are innumerable cases where so-called Brahmins are tortured for their caste. Recently some goons in TN were breaking their Janeus. But that is not covered under any law as crime. And if a Brahmin complains or slaps back, then Dravida politics will get him arrested!!

The entire Dalit vs Brahmin narrative is a blatant lie that emerged in the modern era and then started becoming reality.

Yes, casteism was a problem yesterday. It is even a problem today. But, it is across entire society - not in pockets of Brahmin or Dalit. And it is not that severe that a Dalit will start burning Ram's photo despite being from Valmiki Samaj. Those with poor general knowledge must know that Valmiki was the saint who wrote Ramayan.

Right from Jyotiba Phule to Ambedkar - everyone faced challenges in defining who is Dalit or outcaste. Because there is no water-tight separation at all. Hindu society divided itself into separate groups and sub-groups based on a profession, trade, region, etc.

And each group considers itself unique.

This groupism is much more among so-called SC/ST/OBC population - because they undertake most forms of skilled and unskilled trades. And this groupism exists within Brahmins also. Ever tried searching a gurukul to teach Ved paaths?

Untouchability is a problem of society. But it is not a Brahmin vs Dalit problem. At least it never was till Jihadis and then British came. Jihadis made certain communities clean toilets at their homes.

British started caste-based divisions. It was one group against another. It exists even within so-called Dalits. It started probably as a hygiene practice. Just like we do not touch people before they have taken a bath. Like other foolishness in society, we made untouchability group-based instead of situation or time-based. But untouchability exists even within so-called Dalit groups.

These are important facts that everyone hides. Here is the reality - Caste discrimination and groupism are spread across entire society.

It is not Brahmin vs Dalit. It is one group vs another group - across most groups. It is reducing among

most groups. And the most important point is that most opposition to this groupism or casteism or untouchability came from so-called Brahmins who are made villains.

- Ever heard name of Swami Dayanand Saraswati - contemporary of Mahatma Jyotiba Phule who was admired by Mahatma?
- Ever heard name of Veer Savarkar - the person who coined the term Hindutva?
- Ever thought who gave Ambedkar the surname Ambedkar that he carried throughout his life?

Here is what Ambedkar himself said about Hindutva:

“The most important point we want to emphasize is not the satisfaction you get from the worship of the image of God...Hindutva belongs as much to the untouchable Hindus as to the touchable Hindus. To the growth and glory of this Hindutva contributions have been made by Untouchables like Valmiki, the seer of Vyadhageeta, Chokhamela and Rohidas as much as by Brahmins like Vashishta, Kshatriyas like Krishna, Vaishyas like Harsha and Shudras like Tukaram.

The heroes like Sidnak Mahar who fought for the protection of the Hindus were innumerable. The temple built in the name of Hindutva, the growth and prosperity of which was achieved gradually with the sacrifice of touchable and untouchable Hindus, must be open to all the Hindus irrespective of caste.” (Bahiskrit Bharat, 27 November 1927; quoted in Dhananjay Keer, *Dr Ambedkar: Life and Mission*, 1990)

Yes, Dalits have faced a lot. Not because of Brahmin, Bania, or Thakur. But because of society as a whole and bad apples from all communities - more from Dalit community itself. Mahatma Phule had a different vision to fight for Dalits. But in the modern era, these Dalit activists like Kancha Cheena are the prime reason for problems Dalits face. They stop them from joining the mainstream. They, instead of educating them and making them rise above casteism, create fictional differences and make them hate those they should be admiring as friends.

The overwhelming majority of ‘savarna’ may be oblivious but are definitely not casteist.

We need to understand that casteism is a social evil that affects the entire society. It is not upper caste

vs lower caste. It is the tendency to consider oneself part of a smaller and smaller special group. The caste system is far worse among so-called Dalits. And it exists within Brahmins. Many teach specific scriptures only to specific gotra, specific village etc. Try organising inter-caste marriage among so-called Dalits in UP. It is a pan-society problem. Those who make it exclusively upper vs lower are doing it for political mileage. And let me tell you, Muslim society and Christian society is far worse than Hindus in this matter because carrot-stick of heaven-hell also dangles over their head. Good part is that it does not exist in Vedas.

Brahmins – the new Dalits

The Brahmin community has become Dalits of to-day. Priesthood is no more lucrative. Most Brahmins are poor. They are a deprived minority. They face prejudice because some people across all communities of India believe in caste-system and a narrative is built to blame all Brahmins for this. Irrespective of fact that most vocal voices against casteism has come from this community.

- I am very critical of Brahmin-bashing and have an agenda to destroy such forces.

- I believe caste system is practised all across the society across religions of South Asia. All castes, sub-castes including so-called Dalits practice this and to point fingers on one community is foolishness. The problems have emerged primarily after Mughal and British invasions. And all are party to it.
- I have a very high opinion for Brahmin community because they have selflessly preserved Vedas and spiritual wisdom for ages living a life of austerity. Even the impetus for social reforms came from Brahmins like Swami Dayanand and Veer Savarkar.
- I do not believe in birth-based caste discrimination. I find it against Vedas. My views on this matter are closer to Savarkar, Shradhanand, and Dayanand.
- I do maintain my sharp stance against those who believe one born in 'Dalit' family cannot become Dwija. Varna is choice for me, and it is between God and soul to decide what one can read, practice, or pray. In my pursuit of Hindu unity, I proactively strive to destroy such no-

tions.

- However, I am also proactive about urging people to carry the legacy of their glorious lineage by glorious deeds. One must take pride in the lineage. Just that one must have no notion to debar anyone from starting a lineage.

If I am guilty of bashing any community for above stance, I share my guilt with Veer Savarkar and Swami Shradhanand – the heroes of Dr B R Ambedkar.

While caste system is foolishness, painting all Brahmins as villains is even more foolish.

- It was Mahadev Ambedkar - a Brahmin - who gave BR Ambedkar his name.
- It was Veer Savarkar - a Brahmin - who proposed the total destruction of the caste system and got in trouble with Gandhi.
- It was Swami Dayanand - a Brahmin - who established from Vedas that Varna is a choice, not birth-based.
- It is Vashi Sharma who leads an anti-caste mission of Agniveer.

There are countless examples.

Casteism and Law of probability

A student of probability will realize how defective caste-system is. Here is a simple calculation:

- Assume 100 years to be equal to 4 generations.
- Assume civilization to be 3000 years old. This equals 120 generations. (I take a small number to be conservative.)
- Assume probability of a person telling truth be 90%. (This seems very high given the level of corruption prevailing for at least last several generations.)

Now if I claim to belong to a particular caste X (X = Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, Shudra, Antyaja etc), my claim is true only if all 120 generations of my lineage have spoken the truth.

A. Thus, probability of my caste actually being X = $(0.9)^{120} = 0.000323\%$. The probability of my caste being something else instead of what I claim it to be = 99.999677%!!!!

B. If I assume that I belong to a more honest

family and increase my probability of being honest to 95%, then the probability of I belonging to my claimed caste is still just 0.21%. And the probability of my caste being fake is 99.78%!!

C. If I be from a super-honest lineage and assume the probability of honesty to be 99%, still a probability of my caste lineage being what I claim is just 30%. I am fake in 70% cases.

D. If I assume my civilization to be older than 3000 years (which it is), then the probability of being caste being fake increases exponentially. If we assume Kaliyug to be 6000 years old (240 generations), and super-honesty of 99%, still a probability of my caste being fake is 91%.

E. Given that there are privileges associated with claiming to be certain caste, and disadvantages of being associated with some other caste, there is even higher likelihood of at least one person in 120 or 240 generations being dishonest (or even mentally insane). And that means his future generations are not what caste they claim to be. In the same way, there is the likelihood of at least one dishonest influential person in 240 generations forcing someone else to be

a lower caste.

F. Thus, if caste is based on lineage, then the probability of that lineage being known to us authentically is almost zero. Older we claim our civilization to be, and more than corruption we see around us, closer is our claim of being from some special lineage to ABSOLUTE ZERO. In absence of KYC and biometric Aadhaar Cards in last 6000 years, we are all at ABSOLUTE ZERO, to be honest.

Bottom-line

Caste System is a silly social evil that can be created only by a God who does not know mathematics and encourages illegal infiltration.

Time to destroy it forever, and unite against the common enemy called Jihadi terrorism that has been attacking Dalits, non-Dalits alike for last 1400 years and does not seem to stop.

PART 3: GETTING “PURUSH SUKTA” RIGHT

PURUSH SUKTA-MOTHER OF DISCRIMINATION

Vedas are the foundation of birth-based caste discrimination. It is in Vedas – the oldest scriptures of Hindus – the seeds of caste system were laid. And since then, exploitation of certain sections of the population became a mainstay of Hinduism. Later the condition aggravated even further. But because the foundation of the birth based caste system was in Vedas, and Vedas are ultimate unquestionable authority for Hindus, there was no way for the root of caste-system to be eliminated from the society.

The above-stated belief system seems to be the predominant opinion regarding the origin of caste system infecting a wide diaspora of so-called ‘intellectual’ mindsets.

Who would benefit from Caste system?

Intellectuals from other religions use this as main excuse to hate Hinduism. Those involved in conversion from Hinduism and justifying the conversions done by them or their ancestors would find a convenient justification in blaming it on ‘Vedic’ birth-based caste system. It is a winning proposition for them thus.

Self-proclaimed Brahmins and upper caste

Casteist self-proclaimed Brahmins and so-called Upper-castes use Vedas as the tool to defend their ‘divine’ special rights regardless of their actual deeds. For them, of course, nothing could be more lucrative than an order from Vedas to continue giving an MBBS degree to all future generations of a doctor regardless of whether they actually could even spell ‘medicine’!

Dalit leaders

Dalit leaders have used this to explain discrimination in society and further their own political agenda. Who would like to destroy the entire vote-bank by destroying the very foundation of caste-system in totality? Ambedkar admitted that the only means for him to interpret Vedas were works of western Indologists

since his own knowledge was grossly inadequate. In areas like Aryan Invasion Theory he vehemently criticized the western view!

Political leaders

Even someone like Mohandas Gandhi, on whose name Anna Hazare led the 'Gandhian' movement against corruption that made history, was bugged by this syndrome. Despite his other apparently mature views, with regards to the birth-based caste system, Mohandas Gandhi held firm belief that it was divine and essence of Hinduism. Instead, refusing to accept the very foundation of the caste system, he chose to legitimize it further by giving a special name to certain people – *Harijan*. What could be a greater insult to them than giving them a tag in the same manner as Arab looters would put chains over their slaves aka Non-Arab Muslims and call them '*Mawali*'? And now they say that '*Mawali*' actually has a noble meaning! But the blood caste theory was so deeply entrenched that calling dark people of Africa as 'raw naked *Kafirs*' or '*Chandals*' or calling for 'purity of race' amounted to service of humanity!

In fact, the reason '*Harijan*' seemed to be the right word for so-called Shudras is that as per fool-

ish neo-Hindu casteist views, Hari Bhakti was the ONLY spiritual option for Shudras as they were disallowed access to any Vedic literature! By calling them ‘*Harijans*,’ one can serve vote bank of bigoted ‘upper castes,’ neutral intellectuals and even ‘lower-castes.’ And indeed, the trick worked if we were to assess the popularity of this word with a demeaning intent.

We do not deny Mohandas’ contribution to society and nation. We admire his charisma. But for sure there are thousands of more unbiased non-dogmatic minds born in this nation who have contributed as much if not more. Despite all that Mohandas Gandhi is claimed to have done for the nation, we can no way admire someone who supported apartheid – the worst of the crimes – so vocally. Our firm belief is that the over-hype and imposition of Gandhi on India at a cost of the utter negligence of so many other role models that this oldest civilization of world has produced is driven by reasons that are different from an unbiased analysis of personalities and their concrete contributions. We need not elaborate on views of his protege Nehru whose ‘Discovery of India’ clearly proves his intent and wisdom. But all that is not the focus of this chapter. *The crux is that even so-*

called reformer politicians could not rise over the myth of Vedic caste system for various non-intellectual reasons.

(None other Swami Dayanand had the guts to proclaim in clear terms, with evidence and reason, that no one is born Brahmin. A duffer born to a so-called Brahmin is worse than a Shudra, and a scholar born in a family of even a so-called *Chandal* is a Brahmin. Those who call certain people 'Shudra' on basis of birth are actually duffers and worse than Shudras themselves.)

Western Indologists

Western Indologists, of course, found a golden opportunity in the so-called Vedic caste system to dissuade Hindus from their foundations. They knew that most Indian intellectuals simply parrot what their white-Aakaas (Lords) utter, and that is what exactly is happening even till today. They had to do nothing great when foolish Hindus were still clinging to termite hill of casteism as their foundation despite all the slavery and downfall it had brought to them over last thousand years and even more. All British had to do was to propagate the *garbage* works on Vedas by their paid Indologists in lingua franca – English – and make it the predominant view on Vedas world-

wide. After all, a false marketed smartly becomes a truth! Even a toilet cleaner advertised well becomes the drink of success!

We see that there were vested interests of all – the loser, the victor, the lawyer, the judge, and the neutral observer of drama – in ensuring that caste-system and the blame of its foundation in Vedas be continued and furthered.

But Agniveer cannot tolerate it

From time to time, few great men raised voices against this stupid caste system. Agniveer hails them as role models. But even they could not go to the root and question the very foundation of this hoax – ‘that Vedas sanction birth-based caste system.’ Their efforts only led to dissuasion of masses away from their own foundation – Vedas – and helped the enemy forces even more.

If someone calls your mother an indecent lady, you do not expel your mother. You instead explore the truth of the allegation, defend your mother if there is no such evidence and reject her only when there is conclusive evidence to contrary.

But those who can reject their mother at the very

first hearsay are simply acting insane. What other adjectives can be used for them is left to readers. However, the crux is that Vedas are a mother for entire humanity – the first source of knowledge and wisdom and direction like mother's milk. Those who neglect the mother or abuse her without any logical basis are bound to perish!

The humanity is facing troubles today because it neglected the mother. And we, the natives of this subcontinent, suffer even more ignominy and ironies and tragedies and problems because we were closest to the mother in recent history and yet chose to neglect her, or even malign her. We truly deserved greater punishments, and we rightly received them!

However, there are no surprises that we as foolish Hindus act so insane. After all, we derive our inspiration from fake and bogus stories from dubious texts that glamorize Sita's exile by Rama and Harishchandra selling his wife! Even God can help only those who desire to help themselves!

And that is exactly why legends like Swami Dayanand and their progeny like Agniveer stand so strongly in defense of Vedas. Even if all other chil-

dren of the mother choose to harm her or neglect her out of intent or foolishness, that does not grant each of us an automatic divine approval to neglect her and act even more foolish. *The Law of Karma never spares anyone.*

Note that the above is not an emotional hyperbole. Because such views, if understood without depth, may lead to blinded fanaticism. Someone may call Quran or Bible his mother and become defensive; other may consider Somalian piracy as its mother and become aggressive and so on. This would lead only to fanaticism.

On the contrary, the above is a well-analyzed viewpoint emanating because of a reasoning process. And we are very clear that if Vedas indeed are a source of anything illogical, we shall reject even the Vedas in the same manner as one amputates his own limb if having gangrene.

However, still one popular issue remains to be explained to complete the puzzle. This issue is about one particular verse of Vedas appearing in Purush Sukta that is considered the mother of the birth-based caste system. Purush Sukta is perhaps the

ONLY alleged reference to the caste system in Vedas. All others allegations are too weak to be taken seriously even by detractors of Vedas. However, this one, though equally flimsy, surprisingly became a super hit just like many stupid Bollywood movies!

It does merit some special attention.

What is Purush Sukta?

Purush Sukta is a hymn of 16 mantras from Vedas that appears in all four Vedas with slight variations. More PhDs have perhaps happened on *Purush Sukta* than on any other intellectual aspect of Vedas. The 11th mantra of the *Sukta* is the one that carries the blame of birth-based caste system.

To explain the mantra and conduct their PhDs, scholars have used a variety of approaches.

- Some simply translated it literally.
- Some used their grammar prowess to justify caste system.
- Others (primarily those inspired by Arya Samaj) use the same prowess to reject it.
- Many other conclude that *Purush Sukta* is a lat-

er addition to Vedas because it is found in the last Mandala of Rigveda. In fact, they claim that the entire last Mandala of Rigveda is a later addition simply because they suspect so! Perhaps the ghost of Shah Jahan lives in Red Fort because I suspect so!

(It's a different matter that they cannot explain why no version of Vedas without this 10th Mandala exists or how *Purush Sukta* is then found in other Vedas as well, not necessarily at end?)

(Sometimes we do feel that lack of scientific education has spoiled the entire world. Most people are leading opinions in areas like history, literature, and media, are those who were more scared of science and mathematics than ghosts were. Be it a Romila Thapar, or Wendy Doniger, or Max Muller or anyone else you may name. Destiny did not give them the opportunity to master the scientific process of thinking and analytical faculty.

We are of firm opinion that we need thoroughly scientific and analytical brains in these fields if we are to save our education system. An aptitude and reasoning test should be MUST.)

About Casteism in Purush Sukta

Coming back to the *Purush Sukta*, there is Mantra number 11 who is the culprit.

Mantra literally says:

‘Brahmin was his mouth. Kshatriyas were created from his arms. Vaishyas came from thighs and Shudras were born from his feet.’

Shudras are lowly people born from his feet and Brahmins are greatest ones born from his mouth. Hence, the mantra is alleged to insult Shudras and glorify Brahmins. Kshatriyas and Vaishyas are somewhere in between.

As we said earlier, you can find a plethora of literature that critically analyzes this mantra and provides a wide amount of perspectives. Many explain in greater detail how this mantra led to modern day caste system through a chain of events and thought process.

Others try to prove that the mantra is interpolation because no other mantra in Vedas can be used to justify caste-system. As we observed earlier, we are always too eager to drive out the mother so as not to offend any allegation-maker!

More sincere defenders of Vedas attempt to provide alternative meanings of the various words used in the mantra to justify why it does not talk of birth-based casteism. They showcase evidence from other literature on the alternative usages of these words and attempt to defend the allegations.

To my mind, even this is a fruitless exercise beyond a point, because Vedas are much more to do with analysis and introspection and very less to do with grammar and etymology. After all, language was derived from Vedas and not vice-versa.

(Swami Dayanand laid great emphasis on analytical reasoning. In his proposed educational curriculum, only first few years of educations, when the intellectual faculty is limited, were dedicated to mugging up the basics. And rest of it was primarily focused on developing the analytical and introspective faculty. Unfortunately, modern Vedic scholars – including from Arya Samaj (the sect of his followers) spent years in only grammar and neglect science and maths completely. Their analytical reasoning is hopelessly limited, and they are unable to derive new insights and research from Vedas. Like other Arts subject, research in these fields primarily implies inconsequen-

tial literature survey (Which may soon become obsolete due to advent of search engine technology and digitization!))

Analysis of the casteist mantra of Purush Sukta

Coming back to the main line of discussion let us now analyze it deeper but a bit logically. Let us reproduce the meaning again for readability and make some points for those who see caste-based discrimination in this beautiful mantra:

Brahmin was his mouth. Kshatriyas were created from his arms. Vaishyas came from thighs and Shudras were born from his feet.

- How does the mantra imply that Brahmins are superior, and Shudras are inferior? In fact, if the literal meaning of the mantra is true, then Brahmins are the most disgusting and Shudras much purer because vomit and sputum come from the mouth. After urine and stool, they are the most detestable outputs of the human body.

If a cherry falls on feet, you can still pick it up and eat it after washing. In fact, most of the grains we eat may have touched ground or feet in some way or other. But if it gets into someone's mouth and mixes

with his saliva or sputum, you will not eat it for sure even after washing!

- *How can something be born from feet, thighs, mouth or arms?* Even for a human being, the organs for reproduction are different. It is thus obvious that the mantra actually means something else. Foolish people take allegories literally.

By this logic, if a son is 'Aankhon ka tara' or Gem of the Eyes of his mother, it would imply that he resides in the form of a star within an eye of his mother! Perhaps we would send to asylum who take such similes literally.

- The same modern 'orthodox' Hindu ideology also believes in the rebirth of the soul. In fact, the very foundation of Vedic religion and all its offshoots is a belief in the rebirth of a soul that is *unborn and undying*. The questions are:
- *How could 'unborn' soul be born from something?* And if it is true, then rest of the Vedas and Vedic literature is false.
- What happens after we die? Now it is an established belief that one can change from Brahmin to Shudra etc. in next birth depending upon

Karmas or actions. In fact, this is the lollypop that bigoted 'Upper Castes' offer to so-called Shudras – serve us for this birth and then become Brahmin in next birth.

If migration of caste is possible in next birth, we would like to understand the mechanism. Is it that after death, the soul goes back to *Purusha's* feet or mouth or arm or thighs, transfer via the blood circulation system to next organ and take birth again?

- And what about animals and insects and birds? From where are they born and how do they change into Brahmin? Does it not all sound stupid if literal translation were to be taken seriously?
- And in any case, the Vedic Supreme Lord is always formless and omnipresent. How can He have a face, arms, and legs in first place? *Yajurveda* 40.8 states so in unambiguous terms.
- Further, even if we assume Supreme Lord to have shape and be able to reproduce from His various organs except the one that is used in humans for this purpose, how does that imply birth-based caste system? *How can one conclude*

from this mantra that Brahmins will take birth in a family of Brahmins alone and Shudras in a family of Shudras? As per literal meaning of the mantra, Brahmins, Vaishyas, Kshatriyas and Shudras should take birth ‘directly’ from the body of Supreme. If we take this literal meaning of mantra as truth, then *someone takes birth from the womb of a mortal woman and NOT directly from God Himself can be none of the four Varnas.* They are someone else!

- What more, the mantra is in *past tense*. At best one can conclude that Brahmins, Kshatriyas, Vaishyas, and Shudras were born from various organs of a queerly formed Purusha at the *inception of creation*. But none of them survive till today. The Brahmins, Kshatriyas, Vaishyas and Shudras of today are born hardly a few decades ago. But as per literal meaning of mantra, the birth has already happened. It does not say that God continues to run a factory for future production.

Further, none of the modern human beings actually came from anywhere except mother’s womb. None of these modern claimants of Brahmin, Ksha-

triya, Vaishya and Shudra are genuine claimants of any caste. They all are fake claimants.

- Had someone taken birth from some woman's mouth, we could have still have pretended to act superstitious and assert that "Since the mother is Supreme God, the newborn is a Brahmin." But still, the condition of birth from the mouth, hands, legs or thighs ALONE constitutes a valid birth to qualify to be called either of Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya or Shudra. **Rest of us, normal mortal humans beings, who originate from the womb of our mothers and not from hands, legs, or mouth, are perhaps aliens from outer universe controlled by some other God as per literal meaning of the verse!**
- Since all births on planet earth happen ONLY from mothers, if we are to exist (which we all do!) then all women who give birth should be God themselves as per the mantra. And all men should be something other than either of four Varnas. We have no objection to people respecting all women as God. But at the same time, all men should be anything but humans since they

did not come from the mouth, arms or legs of any woman.

Very clearly, the mantra makes no sense if one were to take it literally.

What is a pity that such a level of nonsense held sway over us for centuries, made us harassed paupers, and yet we refuse to get rid of the nonsense!

Intuitive and obvious meaning of the mantra

However, if the mantra is analyzed in the context of rest of the mantras and more intelligently, then definitely there is a whole branch of knowledge about the creation can be researched from the Sukta.

Readers can review the Chapter on Creation (*Srishtividhyavishay*) in Introduction of Vedas (*Rigvedadibhashyabhumi*) by Swami Dayanand for a more logical and detailed contextual analysis.

However, an intuitive understanding of the mantra is very simple even for a layman if we are willing to remove the glasses of prejudice and mindset. It exactly means what all translators have stated:

Brahmin was his mouth. Kshatriya was created from his arms. Vaishyas came from thighs and Shu-

dras were born from his feet.

The only issue is that Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya and Shudra do not refer to any souls or humans.

They refer to Varnas or properties that can be chosen.

And 'He' refers to not only the Supreme Lord as a whole but any self-sustaining ecosystem – be it society, organization, individual or universe. After all, everything is inspired by the Supreme Lord!

The mantra means that any self-sustaining ecosystem necessarily consists of four Varnas or properties or qualities or components – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra. Brahmin means intellect and knowledge. Kshatriya means strength and valor. Vaishya means management, balance, and stability. Shudra means rest of the qualities including ignorance.

A smart system would utilize the four components in most optimized manner.

A successful society would have intellectuals or Brahmins as head, Warriors or Kshatriyas as protecting hands, Vaishyas or business managers as stability providers or bone marrow producers (femur or thigh bone is the strongest bone of body) and rest of pop-

ulation would be utilized to provide support and basic infrastructure for the society.

A successful company would also organize itself accordingly.

The Supreme also creates the universe in a manner that these four components are balanced.

As human beings, even we have all these four within us. But as they are Varnas (choice) we have the option to increase or decrease their magnitude in various aspects of our lives. Note that there is, however, no binary choice of either having or rejecting a property. All the four must exist, only their proportions may vary.

Our brain represents the Brahmin, which should be nurtured to the extent possible. We should have strong arms to protect ourselves. We should have a very healthy body and good blood circulation to ensure our longevity. Also, we should have powerful feet to be dynamic.

There is no human who does not have any of these components or properties within him. And there is no meaningful activity that can be performed in the absence of all these four. After all, we are a

complete being and not parts.

Even when we are studying Vedas, We use the

- Brahmin to understand the essence of Vedas
- Kshatriya to ensure we can study peacefully and not be disturbed by every other mosquito or nuisance.
- Vaishya to manage the procurement of Vedic text and lamp.
- Shudra to actually sit down, switch on the lamp and perform all manual tasks necessary to complete the study successfully.

If even one of the Varnas is ignored, the task may not be successfully and sustainably completed.

Buddhism focused only on Brahmin (intellect) and hence perished in Afghanistan to attacks from West Asian looters. Wahabis got exclusively into warfare and made the world a dangerous place. Hindus became too much of managers/ Vaishyas or Jugaadbaaz and lost their strength and dignity. Islamic countries like Pakistan made Shudras out of its population by neglecting education and training, and now it is nearing a failed state due to the dominance of barbarians.

In society, we, for the sake of simplicity, call a person Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya or Shudra based on his predominant profession. *However, this is only a simplistic approximation.* In reality, each of us has a Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya and Shudra within us or else we would not be able to survive even for a while.

You can clearly see that with this very logical interpretation, the entire Varna system as well as the mantra becomes so comprehensible and easy to understand. Of course, with further introspection and analysis including the study of language, we can derive even deeper meanings from this vastly intellectual mantra from one of the most wonderful Suktas of Vedas.

Summary

The broad essence is obvious and intuitive if observed without any baggage of post-dated bias and preconceived notions.

- That the particular mantra is not to be taken literally but as symbolism.
- That Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra represent four properties that pervade all human beings. These four properties are Varnas

or choices.

- That means that we have a choice to increase or decrease their magnitude in various aspects of our lives.
- That the four organs of body – head/face/mouth, arms, thighs, and legs – represent the qualities of the four Varnas. If we consider the broader meaning of *Uru* used for Vaishya, it implies the entire central system – digestive system to thighs. In fact, in Atharvaveda version of the mantra, the word *Madhya* meaning center is used instead of *Uru* to clarify this better.
- Any ecosystem that provides appropriate roles & responsibilities to these four properties or people representing these properties is bound to be successful – be it an individual or society. *Those who try to use feet for head or vice versa are bound to perish.*

And that is what exactly happened through birth-based caste system. Even the dumbest witted were made ‘heads’ or ‘face’ of society merely because they were born in certain families that claimed to be Brahmins. The weaklings were warriors because of the

family tag. And the most brilliant were forced to be in servile positions simply because they were born in some other set of families. *As a result, we invited our own destruction!*

However, we clearly see that by any stretch of the sane imagination, one can no way interpret the *Purush Sukta* mantra to have any meaning even remotely associated with the birth-based caste system. Vedas stand for complete meritocracy and equal opportunities for all human beings.

All these PhDs who are trying to prove or disprove casteism in *Purush Sukta* mantra 11 are completely irrelevant. They only reemphasize the need for quality aptitude training and examination of those who indulge in such researches. And speak volumes about intellectual capabilities with regards to analysis and logic of those so-called scholars who conducted such research in past.

We have also analyzed in other parts of this book, that the entire hoax of Vedas having to do anything with racism or casteism or discrimination in the name of gender or birth is a figment of the imagination of selected few. It is true that for quite a significant

period in history, such perverted ideology held sway over the sub-continent causing utter loss to world and country. However, events do not justify themselves merely by their happenings. Just because something stupid happened in the era of Ashoka or even *Ramayan* and *Mahabharat* does not make that justifiable.

(There is a misplaced notion that ancient India was Vedic and now we are non-Vedic. There is a misplaced notion that Western world is anti-Vedic and we are more Vedic. All these notions emanate from shallow thinking. *Vedas represent the best practices manual and fundamental laws of nature and living.* There was never a time when all best practices of Vedas implemented with 100% perfection, and there was never a time when a society completely rejected Vedas. All this varies from time to time in different aspects of life. We benefit when we adopt Vedic wisdom in certain aspects of our lives and face miseries when we refuse to do so in some other aspects. We are far more Vedic in certain aspects compared to *Ramayan* and *Mahabharat* era. In certain aspects, we lag behind. Similarly, the Western world is far more Vedic in certain aspects of life like respect for all humans, while we are ahead in some other aspects like family val-

ues. **This is a multivariate highly non-linear and dynamic function. But Vedas provide us way to attempt to maximize the value of the function at any given point in time.)**

Citing examples from history or present era to claim something to be Vedic or anti-Vedic is as foolish as rejecting Vedas. We do not reject the concept of a circle in Mathematics simply because a perfect circle cannot be drawn in reality!

All we need to do is to seek opportunities for improvements in the true spirit of Vedas. That is what ideals are meant for.

Now, this caste system has been an anti-Vedic nuisance troubling us for ages. It has been a prime cause of all other troubles we faced and continued to face since last thousands of years. *However, today is the most golden opportunity to destroy its very roots and become deserving of greater bliss.*

The modern era social patterns make it totally outdated to classify a person simplistically into any one of the four *Varnas*. It is the time we adopt a more evolved model – where each human has all the four *Varnas* whose proportion vary in different aspects of

life at different times in different situations.

And the foundation, as well as inspiration for it, should rightly come from our roots – the Vedas themselves. Let us together destroy the myth of caste system in Vedas and take it further to destroy all traces of birth-based caste system from our society as guided by *Purush Sukta*.

Conclusion

We conclude with our interpretation of *Purush Sukta* mantra 11 in nation's perspective, as elaborated above:

May only the intellectuals be allowed to become face and heads of our nation.

May only the strong, powerful and possessors of noble character be the strong hands that protect and bring us glory through efforts.

May the smart, trained managers guide our entire processes and ensure a vibrant, healthy effective control mechanism. And may we utilize the rest of us to provide foundation and service to keep the system dynamic and powerful.

May we never allow non-intellectual minds to become heads, weaklings to become hands, untrained

incompetents to manage the central control system and waste our talented resources in doing less productive activities.

Let us never allow mismatch of talents and job role on frivolous reasons like birth, family, favoritism, or corruption.

Let no profession – material or spiritual – become fiefdoms of selected few on the basis of any artificial barrier like caste or gender. And if there be any such existing barriers, let us destroy them completely to embrace the Purush Sukta!

The caste system is the father of all corruption.

Let us work for its total annihilation of it, in theory, and in practice. **There is no other way!**

PART 4: MYTHS OF CASTE IN VEDAS

WHO IS ARYA?

Arya means a noble person/gentleman. If in behavior, speech, actions, one adheres to principles of Vedas – is civilized, affectionate to fellow people, not tempted to commit sins, hygienic, promotes and propagates truth, etc. – he or she is an *Arya*. Again, it is not a binary logic, but a continuous function.

Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra

English is a poor approximate of Vedic language. Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, Shudra are names of *Varnas* or classifications based on profession. They have nothing to do with birth. *Shudra* is someone who could not get adequately educated and hence incompetent to be in any of these professions.

People in knowledge-based matters are *Brahmins*, those in state/defense level matters are *Kshatriyas*, those in financial/ economic jobs are *Vaishyas* and rests are *Shudras*. In fact, the same person can be Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya and Shudra at the same time.

These *Varnas* are nothing to do with presently used custom of surnames. In fact, if you read Ramayan, Mahabharat, or other texts of those times, you do not find this tradition of First Name-Middle Name-Surname as nomenclature of people.

‘Arya’ doesn’t denote parentage

I would refute the basis of the argument that *Arya* word denotes parentage in any manner.

Of course, family and parentage do have their role in determining *Sanskaars* of a person. However, that does not mean that someone from unidentified parentage cannot be *Arya*. **This imaginary caste-system is one of the biggest reasons for our decadence.** We foolishly expunged a large majority of our fellow brothers and sisters as Shudras and *Achhoots* on the basis of their unknown or questionable lineage or family.

The *Arya* has nothing to do with one's *Gotra*. Hardly any surname today represents any *Gotra*. The *Gotra* classification was to do with preventing marriages between close relatives.

Arya is a noble person. The family is only one among many ways to ascertain if someone is noble. To say that Shudra cannot become Brahmin is again blatantly wrong. Brahmin is someone with knowledge. Shudra is someone who could not become Brahmin, Kshatriya or Vaishya due to lack of education or training. Even a Shudra, after having gained knowledge through efforts can become Brahmin.

Meaning of 'Dwija.'

Dwija means twice born. At birth, everyone is Shudra, but after education, Brahmins, Kshatriya, and Vaishya take another birth as skilled humans. In other words, education gives them another birth as civilized people worthy of contributing to society. Thus, they become *Dwija* – twice born. Those who are unable to gain education lose this opportunity of new birth and hence remain Shudra.

Summary

An illiterate son of Brahmin is also Shudra and any

Shudra, after having gained knowledge through his or her efforts can become a Brahmin, Vaishya or Kshatriya. **Brahmin, Vaishya, Kshatriya or Shudra has nothing to do with biological birth.**

WHO IS SHUDRA?

A commonly held perception regarding Hinduism is its prejudice against Shudras. Vedas are accused of being Brahminical texts designed to subdue the Shudras. They are considered to be the source of caste-based discrimination that is touted as the primary characteristic of Hinduism/ Sanatan Dharma or Vedic Dharma. The entire pro-Dalit movement also has its foundation on this baseless notion.

Unfortunately, nothing could be far from the truth. In this book, we would provide evidence from Vedas and related texts to establish the following:

- The meaning of four *Varnas* and Shudra, in particular, is completely different from what the

Macaulay inspired intellectuals would want us to believe.

- There is absolutely no element of birth-based discrimination or denial of opportunity for any human being in the Vedic way of life.
- If there is one text that provides evidence of the highest level of meritocracy and equal opportunity, it is the Vedas. Even the most contemporary texts on human rights cannot come closer.

‘Shudras’ in Vedic Mantras

Before we begin our journey of solving the caste-puzzle through Vedas, let us start with certain worship mantras from Vedas that mention Shudras:

Yajurveda 18.48: O Lord! Provide enlightenment/compassion to our Brahmins, Kshatriyas, Vaishyas, and Shudras. Provide me also with the same enlightenment so that I can see the truth.

Yajurveda 20.17: Whatever crime we have committed against my village, forest or committee; whatever crime we have committed through our organs, whatever crime we have committed against Shudras and

Vaishyas, whatever crime we have done in matters of Dharma, kindly forgive us relieve us from the tendency of the same.

Yajurveda 26.2: The way I gave this knowledge of Vedas for the benefit of all humans, similarly, you all also propagate the same for the benefit of Brahmins, Kshatriyas, Shudras, Vaishyas, Women and even most downtrodden. The scholars and the wealthy people should ensure that they do not deviate from the message of mine.

Atharvaveda 19.32.8: O Lord! May I be loved by everyone – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Shudra, and Vaishya. May I be admired by everyone.

Atharvaveda 19.62.1: May all noble people admire me. May kings and Kshatriyas admire me. May all look at me with admiration. May the Shudras and Vaishyas admire me.

It is clear from these mantras that a Vedic person:

- Seeks to be forgiven for crimes against all including Shudras.
- Seeks to propagate Vedas to all including Shudras.

- Considers all Varnas – Brahmin, Kshatriya, Vaishya, and Shudra to be equal and respects them equally.

It is clear that as per Vedas, Shudras deserve the same respect as other Varnas. Also, as per Vedic prayer, Shudras are accorded great esteem.

It is also interesting that in all of these mantras, the word Shudra comes before Vaishya. Therefore, one cannot counter-argue that Shudras are given last mention or least preference.

Summary

These are sufficient evidence to conclude that Shudra, as per Vedas, imply something quite different from a caste or community that has to be discriminated against. We shall explore the meaning of Shudra and associated terms like *Daas*, *Dasyu*, and *Anarya*, which are often confused to be synonyms, in subsequent chapters.

WHO IS DASYU?

A predominant theme that pervades the Macaulay brand of education is about Vedas being primarily a description of the struggle between *Arya* and *Dasyu*. This theory, which is a favorite of semi-literate Western Indologists and their communist tails, weaves a creative story that:

“Aryans were nomadic tribes with barbaric instincts. They came to India from Central Asia and spread loot and rape all around. The natives of India were called ‘*Dasyu*’ or ‘*Daas*.’ After winning over them, they established their Aryan supremacy based on birth-based discrimination. And today, most consider Hinduism or Sanatan Dharma or Vedic Dharma to be characterized primarily by this birth-based discrimination having its origin in the massacre of

the *Dasyu* or *Daas*.”

It is a shame that this theory has led to the alienation of a large number of our brothers and sisters who consider themselves *Anarya* (non-Arya) and bear a grudge against those who follow Vedas. These include those who call themselves *Dalit* or *Dravid* these days.

Scholars have already explored a lot to debunk the stupid “Aryan Invasion Theory” which has no evidence whatsoever. Even someone like Dr. Ambedkar – considered as the father of Dalit movement - was extremely critical of this theory as well as the myth of subjugation of *Dasyu*.

‘Dasyu’ in Vedic Mantras

However, the purpose of this chapter is to explore what Vedas exactly say about *Arya* and *Dasyu*. After all, Vedas are supposed to be the primary evidence to support this theory of Aryan subjugation of *Dasyu* or *Daas*.

Let us review some of the allegations.

Allegation: Vedas describe *Arya* and *Dasyu* at several places. Many mantras pray for the destruction of

Dasyu and looting of their wealth. Several mantras state that even women should not be spared if they are *Dasyu*. Hence, one can conclude that Vedas describe the brutal Aryan invasion of *Dasyu* people.

In total, there are 85 mantras referring to *Dasyu* in Rigveda. Several refer to *Daas* as well, which is a synonym.

Refutation: Let us review some of the mantras evaluate what they mean.

Rigveda 1.33.4: O All-Powerful Warrior! You possess a variety of powers and roam alone. Do use your powerful weapon to destroy wealthy *Dasyu* (criminals) and *Sanakah* (those who steal from others). May they reach their deaths through your weapon. These *Sanakah* are devoid of noble acts.

The adjective used for *Dasyus* are ‘*Ayajva*’ meaning those who do not perform noble acts or noble resolutions. Obviously, such people would be criminals. The king is advised to destroy such criminals to safeguard his people.

Sayana defines *Dasyu* as a thief. *Dasyu* origins from root ‘*Dasa*’, which means ‘*Upakshaya*’ or which leads to destruction. Hence, *Dasyu* refers to those people

who are destructive or criminals. It does not refer to any caste or race.

Rigveda 1.33.5: Those *Dasyu* (criminals) who are themselves devoid of noble resolutions and clash with noble people, flee away due to your protection. O brave warrior, you have destroyed the *Avrata* (unscrupulous) from everywhere.

In this mantra, two adjectives are used for *Dasyu*. – *Ayajva* (those who do not perform noble acts and noble resolutions) and *Avrata* (undisciplined and unscrupulous).

Very clearly, *Dasyu* refers to criminals, and they are accorded the same treatment in Vedas, as they deserve in any modern civilized society.

Rigveda 1.33.7: O brave warrior! Destroy and drive away these *Dasyu*, whether they laugh or cry, from the world and protect those having noble resolutions and those who pray.

Rigveda 1.51.5: O brave warrior! Make those cunning people tremble with fear through your cleverness who consume everything only for themselves. O protector of people! Destroy the habitations of those *Dasyu*, who spread violence and protect those

who are simple and truthful.

In this mantra, *Dasyu* refers to those who only consume for themselves and are devoid of noble deeds like charity and helping others.

In *Kaushitaki Brahman*, such people are referred as *Asur*. *Asur* and *Dasyu*, both refer to criminals and not to any caste or race.

Rigveda 1.51.6: O brave warrior! You have been killing those who exploit others and protect those who are saints. To protect those who help others, you trample the most powerful wicked people. You have always been born to destroy the *Dasyu* (criminals).

The adjective used for *Dasyu* is ‘*Shushna*’, which means those who do “*Shoshan*” or exploit others.

Rigveda 1.51.7: O God! You know very well the *Arya* and the *Dasyu*. Destroy the *Avrata* (unscrupulous) *Dasyu* for the sake for those who perform noble deeds. I want to follow all the noble actions. Kindly inspire me.

Rigveda 1.5.9: O powerful warrior! For the sake of disciplined people possessing noble resolutions and performing noble actions, you destroy the *Avrata*

(unscrupulous). For the sake of those having polite speech, you keep the rude and undisciplined people under control.

Rigveda 1.117.21: O Powerful warriors! You support the noble people and destroy the *Dasyu*. In this mantra, word “*Arya*” is used to denote humans involved in constructive activities.

Rigveda 1.130.8: O Powerful warrior! You indulge in three types of wars – ordinary, competitive and prosperity-enhancer. You protect the *Yajaman Arya* (noble people indulged in benevolent acts) and destroy the *Avrata* (unscrupulous) people with darkness in heart who are indulged in violence or plan to indulge in violent activities.

Here ‘*Krishnatvak*’ is used which is misleadingly interpreted by Hindu haters to mean people with dark skin. However, it means dark exterior in an esoteric sense. The words ‘*Tatrisham*’ and ‘*Asharsaanam*’ are also used in the mantra to eliminate any doubt. They mean “desiring to kill” or “involved in the killing.” In contrast, ‘*Arya*’ is used for benevolent people.

No doubt should remain that *Arya* means noble person and has nothing to do with any race.

Rigveda 3.34.9: ‘*Arya*’ should be protected, and ‘*Dasyu*’ should be destroyed.

‘*Varna*’ is used for *Arya*. *Varna* means “worthy of being accepted.” ‘*Arya Varna*’ means one who is worthy of being accepted as *Arya*.

Rigveda 4.26.2: I provide land to *Arya*, rains to charitable people and other resources to people as well.

Very clearly, *Arya* is an adjective here in line with Charitable.

Similarly, one can go through the following mantras

Rigveda 4.30.18

Rigveda 5.34.6

Rigveda 6.18.3

Rigveda 6.22.10

Rigveda 6.25.2

Rigveda 6.33.3

Rigveda 6.60.6

Rigveda 7.5.7

Rigveda 7.18.7

Rigveda 8.24.27

Rigveda 8.103.1

Rigveda 10.38.3

Rigveda 10.43.4

Rigveda 10.40.3

Rigveda 10.69.6

All these mantras clearly elaborate that Arya is an adjective for noble, benevolent, and peaceful people. And *Dasyu/ Daas* denotes unscrupulous people with criminal tendencies. This fact is amply evident from the adjectives used along with Arya and *Dasyu/ Daas* in these mantras.

In fact, *Rigveda* 6.22.10 states that 'Daas' should be made 'Arya.' How could it be possible if these were to denote races!

Rigveda 6.60.6: Even those people should be destroyed who were Arya so far but now got into criminal activities. The same sentiment is repeated in *Rigveda* 10.69.6 and *Rigveda* 10.83.1. Even Arya is not a permanent adjective. One has to continue earning it,

or else he or she deserves the same punishments as accorded to those who are historically or habitually *Dasyus*.

Atharvaveda 5.11.3: No one can overrule the laws created by Supreme, be it a *Daas* or an *Arya*.

Doubt: Skeptics attempt to distort the meaning of this mantra by claiming that the mention of *Daas* and *Arya* implies two different races. Because if *Daas* were to mean criminals, why is God allowing them to do crimes when this mantra states that no one can overrule His laws.

Explanation: By the laws of God, one does not imply restrictions on free will. The soul has free will in the human incarnation and can very well choose to indulge in crime or noble deeds. This freedom is also a law of God. However, one cannot escape the consequences of his or her deeds, and this is what emphasized in this mantra.

The next two mantras of same Sukta – *Atharvaveda 5.11.4* and *Atharvaveda 5.11.6* clarify that further. They state that even the rogues are scared of unchangeable laws of God. However, they continue to disturb humans because they are not scared of humans. Hence,

the devotee prays to God that may these rogue criminals be subdued, and scholars be promoted.

Note that *Daas* or *Dasyu* are not the only words used to denote the rogue. Many mantras mention the word “*Brahmadvish*” which means one who hates penance, knowledge and noble deeds.

For example, *Rigveda* 3.30.17 and 7.104.2 pray that Brahmadvish, cannibals, dangerous and corrupt people should always be fought against to keep them under control. Now just as a cannibal, dangerous and corrupt people do not form a race. Similarly, *Daas*, *Dasyu*, and *Brahmadvish* do not form any race. They only denote criminal nature of certain people.

Rigveda 7.83.7: This mantra makes it clearer by stating that even ten kings indulged in criminal tendencies cannot defeat a single righteous king because the prayers of noble people become true and many powerful people and resources partner with missions of such noble people.

Again, the word used for criminals is ‘*Ayajva*’, which is used with *Dasyu* also in some of the mantras discussed before.

It is a matter of pity that in this mantra many

semi-literate biased Western Indologists try to prove a story of the war between ten kings!

Summary

I would conclude with another excellent mantra from Rigveda, which summarizes the whole concept of a fight between *Arya* and *Dasyu*/ *Daas*/ *Avrata*/ *Ayajva*.

Rigveda 7.104.12: This mantra proclaims that: “The wise should know that Truth (*Sat*) and Falsehood (*Asat*) compete. Truth attempts to destroy Falsehood and vice versa. However, only the Truth (*Sat*) and Fundamental Truth (*Rit*) are protected by the Supreme.”

May we all destroy the False ego and become crusaders of Sat and Rit!

In next chapter, we shall discuss the word *Daas* and see how it has nothing to do with Shudra and is merely a synonym of *Dasyu*.

WHO IS DAAS?

A common perception is that *Daas* is a synonym for Shudras and Vedas call for the subjugation of these *Daas*.

‘Daas’ in Vedic Mantras as ‘verb’

Let us explore some Vedic mantras containing ‘*Daas*’ in various forms and see what it actually means.

Rigveda 7.1.21: May our noble warriors not become *Daas* or be destroyed.

Rigveda 6.5.4: One who troubles us by hiding, may he be destroyed (*Abhidaasat*). Here *Daas* appears as a verb meaning “to be destroyed.”

Rigveda 7.104.7: May he never be benefited who wants to destroy us (*Abhidaasati*) with hatred.

Rigveda 10.97.23: May our enemy be destroyed who wants to destroy us (*Abhidaasati*).

In all these mantras, ‘*Daas*’ refers to destruction.

‘Das’ Dhatu or root

Many mantras use another form of *Daas* with root word ‘Das’.

Rigveda 10.117.2: The wealth of a charitable person never gets destroyed (*Upadasyati*).

Rigveda 5.54.7: Never does the wealth and prosperity of a person get destroyed (*Upadasyanti*) who is inspired by the Supreme God.

In these mantras, again ‘*Daas*’ refers to destruction.

It is hence clear that ‘*Daas*’ means something to do with destruction and hence does not mean any caste or race.

‘Daas’ in Vedic Mantras as ‘noun’

Now let us review some mantras that contain ‘*Daas*’ word directly.

Rigveda 2.12.4: The *Daas* person or destructive person should be pulled down.

Rigveda 5.34.6: Arya should control the *Daas* or destructive persons.

Rigveda 6.26.5: Those *Daas*, who destroy peace, should be destroyed. Here adjective '*Shambar*' is used for *Daas*, which means an adversary of 'Sham' or peace.

Rigveda 7.19.2: Control the *Daas*, *Shushnam* (looters) and *Kuyavam* (terrorists) completely.

Rigveda 10.49.6: The sin-incarnate *Daas* should be destroyed.

Rigveda 10.19.7: The *Daas*, who is fit for being killed, should be destroyed.

Similarly, *Rigveda 4.30.15*, *Rigveda 4.30.21* and *Rigveda 3.12.6* call for the destruction of *Daas*.

Summary

It is clear that *Daas* refers to persons with destructive tendencies who deserve to be destroyed in any civilized society. *All terrorists are Daas*.

There is no reference to Shudra being a *Daas* in entire Vedas. It is a matter of pity that we forgot the original message of Vedas over the course of histo-

ry and literally swapped the meaning of Shudra and *Daas*. Today, *Shudra* is perceived as an objectionable word while *Daas* denotes humility.

Nothing could be far from Vedas.

This misinterpretation of word *Daas* may have happened in the manner how Europeans used to send convicts to Australia, which then became a nation in itself. In a similar way, when criminals were captured, they were put into various tasks. Over the course of history, this *Daas* or their future generations continued to be called as *Daas*. Later the word ‘*Daas*’ started being understood as ‘servant.’

This is also similar to the way ‘*Arya*’ started calling themselves ‘Hindu,’ which has no reference in any authentic scripture.

In reality, *Daas* is a synonym of *Dasyu* or criminal. Shudra is a profession category of *Arya* or the people who are indulged in benevolent acts. There are 36 mantras in Rigveda having ‘*Arya*’ word in various forms and all refer to noble, righteous people.

All good citizens of the world including Shudras are Arya!

WHO IS RAKSHAS?

Another myth being percolated is that Aryans used to call the natives Rakshas and killed them. Rakshas is considered a synonym of Dasyu or Daas, who suffered from Aryan loot. While it is not far from the truth that Rakshas is quite close to Dasyu or Daas in meaning, nothing more could be more fanciful than considering Rakshas also to be a race or tribe.

‘Rakshas’ in Vedic Mantras

We have already debunked the myth of *Daas* or *Dasyu* being any race and have proved that *Daas* or *Dasyu* mean criminals with destructive tendencies.

In this chapter, let us evaluate the meaning of *Rakshas* and see why Vedas call for killing of *Rakshas* even

if she is a woman.

Rigveda 7.104.24: O warrior! You should destroy both the male *Rakshas* and female *Rakshas*, who kills by deceit. May such *Rakshas* not see the light of dawn.

They are termed as *Yatudhaan* (those who attack human dwellings) and *Kravyaad* (those who eat raw flesh).

Rigveda 7.104.17: A female *Rakshasi*, who like an owl ventures out to kill in the night, should be destroyed along with other *Rakshas*.

Rigveda 7.104.18: O Powerful Ones! You should stand up to protect the masses and capture the *Rakshas*, who intend to kill and destroy peace in the night.

Rigveda 7.104.21: The king should destroy those *Rakshas*, who kill others and destroy peaceful activities.

Rigveda 7.104.22: Destroy the *Rakshas*, who attack like an owl, hound, wolf, eagle or vulture.

It is clear that *Rakshas* refers to the most notorious terrorists and criminals who are a danger to peaceful society. There should be no consideration of gender to destroy such people.

To make it clearer, refer the following mantras:

Rigveda 7.104.15: May I be killed today itself, if I become a *Yatudhaan* (one who attacks human dwellings) or reduce the life of any human. But if I am not so, those who falsely implicate me as being a *Yaatudhaan* be destroyed.

Rigveda 7.104.16: Those who call me *Yaatudhan* or *Rakshas* even though I am not and those who claim to be innocent even though they are with *Rakshas* may both be destroyed. Even the silent supporters of *Rakshas* or terrorists should be destroyed. And for such terrorists, there should be no mercy on any pretext.

Summary

Very clearly, Vedas do not specify any race or tribe, instead, call for the destruction of terrorizing forces and their supporters. May these prayers of Vedas become reality, and all the *Rakshas* of the world like ISIS and their supporters get destroyed completely.

DIGNITY OF LABOR IN VEDAS

In previous chapters, we have discussed the actual meanings of *Daas*, *Dasyu*, and *Rakshas* and have concluded that they refer to no tribe or race, but to criminals, and hence, Vedas call for their destruction. These real meanings of *Daas*, *Dasyu*, and *Rakshas* debunk the myth spread by communists and Indologists with a vested interest in Aryan Invasion Hoax and stories of how Aryans killed natives called *Dasyu* or *Daas* and later made them their servants or Shudras. We have already seen that while Vedas are critical of *Dasyus*, they hold Shudras in high esteem and call for their well-being.

Before we explore the Vedic *Varna Vyavastha* in detail, let us discuss what Vedas say on Dignity of Labor.

Nowadays several categories of jobs are considered suitable for low-caste. These include the bulk of effort-oriented tasks. However, nothing could be far from Vedas. In Vedas, the dignity of labor is the key underlying concept. Let us review some mantras in Vedas in this regard:

Ved Mantras on Farming

Rigveda 1.117.21: The King and the minister should sow seeds and do farming from time to time to set right examples for *Arya*. This makes them deserving of praise.

Rigveda 8.22.6 echoes the same sentiment.

Rigveda 4.57.4: The king should hold the plow and start the farming during the beginning of the season. He should also ensure healthy cows for milk.

Accordingly, we also find in Ramayan the reference of King Janak plowing when he found Sita (*Ramayan 1.66.14*)

Rigveda 10.104.4 and Rigveda 10.101.3: Scholars should plow the land.

In *Adiparva 3.24* there is a reference of Dhaumya Rishi would send his student Aaruni to control the

water flow to farms, indicating that the Rishi used to get involved in farming activities.

The entire 4.57 *Sukta* of *Rigveda* states the glory of farming by one and all.

Ved Mantras on Tailor and Weaver

Rigveda 10.26 states that Rishi do Yajna, are benevolent for all, experts in transportation science, rear sheep for wool, make clothes out of wool and clean the clothes.

Yajurved 19.80: Wise people weave various kinds of clothes.

Rigveda 10.53.6 also stresses on the importance of weaving.

Rigveda 6.9.2 and *Rigveda* 6.9.3 stress on having training centers for weaving clothes, which should be learned by everyone.

Ved Mantras on Artisans and Technicians

‘*Taksha*’ word is used in Vedas for artisans, technicians, carpenters, and related skilled labors.

Rigveda 4.36.1 stresses on the glory of those who construct chariots and planes. The next mantra states

that such carpenters and technicians should be invited to noble Yajna.

Further, in the same Sukta, Mantra 6 considers *Taksha* worthy of eulogy and in next one, skilled labor is called as a scholar, creative and patient.

Other mantras that sing glory of skilled labor are *Rigveda* 10.39.14, 10.53.10, 10.53.8, *Atharvaveda* 14.1.53, *Rigveda* 1.20.2, *Atharvaveda* 14.2.22, 14.2.23, 14.2.24, 14.2.67, 15.2.65, *Rigveda* 2.41.5, 7.3.7, 7.15.14.

The skills mentioned include making vehicles, clothes, utensils, forts, weapons, toys, pots, wells, buildings and cities among others.

Some mantras in *Rigveda* like 1.116.3-5 and 7.88.3 encourage Arya to make ships and travel far away to explore the world. Those involved in constructing boats and ships are praised.

Some other mantras praising various kinds of professions include:

- Commerce – *Rigveda* 5.45.6, *Rigveda* 1.112.11
- Boatman – *Rigveda* 10.53.8, *Yajurveda* 21.3, *Yajurveda* 21.7, *Atharvaveda* 5.4.4, 3.6.7

- Barber – Atharvaveda 8.2.19
- Goldsmith and Gardener – Rigveda 8.47.15
- Ironsmith and Smelter – Rigveda 5.9.5
- Metallurgy – Yajurveda 28.13

It is evident that not only Vedas contain a description of various kinds of skills and technology, but also glorify the dignity of labor.

Summary

It is a baseless allegation that Vedas demean those involved in labor-oriented tasks. On the contrary, Vedas affirm highest Dignity of Labor.

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